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NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

A woman named Morrison was arrested in Toronto, on Sunday, on suspicion of poisoning her husband and three children. One of the children is dead and the others are not expected to recover.

Ex-Mayor Collins, of Portsmouth, has been arrested for violating the revenue laws. He owned a whisky distillery and a schooner laden with whisky, both of which were seized in Dismal Swamp on Saturday.

The late rains have swollen all the streams on the North Missouri. Many bridges have been washed away and considerable other damage done. The Missouri river has risen three feet at Kansas City, and heavy rains have been heavy along the course of that stream northward. Heavy rains have also fallen in Kansas, and as the Kaw and other rivers in that State are much swollen, there is no doubt navigation will be pretty generally resumed to northern points in a few days.

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FIRST EDITION.

12 O'CLOCK, M.

XLth CONGRESS.

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Admission of Senator McVickers, of Md

The Diplomatic Appropriation Bill.

Another Funding Bill Proposed.

Public Debt to be Extinguished by 1916

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9, 1868.

Want to Emigrate.

In the Senate to-day, Mr. Conkling presented the petition of one hundred and sixty colored people of North Carolina and Georgia, stating that they are the victims of persecution, and asking for an appropriation to enable them to emigrate to Liberia. It was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Reverdy Johnson presented the credentials of Mr. Vickers, Senator elect from Maryland. It was expected that Mr. Vickers's admission would be objected to by some of the Radicals on the grounds that one of his sons had been in the rebel army, and that General Schenck had issued orders for his arrest in 1862 for communicating with his son, but instead of this Mr. Sumner opposed his admission on the grounds that Maryland had not a republican form of government, and made a speech to that effect, which was replied to by Mr. Conness, who said that the same objection would hold good against California. This sentiment was applauded by the galleries. Mr. Sumner then withdrew his motion, and Mr. Vickers was sworn in.

The rest of the day was taken up in the discussion of the diplomatic appropriation bill. A short executive session was then held, during which a resolution was passed removing the injunction of secresy from certain documents and messages sent to the Senate by the President in the Stanton case. This was done at the request of the impeachment managers, who desired to make use of the documents in the approaching trial. They have all been published in the newspapers.

The House was engaged to-day on miscellaneous business of no general interest. In the debate on the Senate bill relating to abandoned property, Mr. Logan, of Illinois, charged that the Secretary of the Treasury had eighteen millions of dollars of bonds in circulation which he claimed to have redeemed and cancelled. He challenged an investigation of his assertion.

A resolution by Mr. Burr, of Illinois, was offered stating that a sound financial policy requires the gradual withdrawal of interest bearing bonds by our Government, and the substitution therefor of United States notes, popularly known as greenbacks, which was referred to the Ways and Means Committee. A motion to table it was lost by eight votes.

To Western Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, March 9, 1868.

SENATE.

Mr. JOHNSON presented the credentials of George H. Vickers, Senator elect from Maryland, and asked that he be sworn in. He was advancing to the President's desk for that purpose, when Mr. SUMNER rose and offered a resolution referring the credentials to the Judiciary Committee, with instructions to inquire whether the government of Maryland is republican in form, sufficient to allow her to send a Senator at this time.

After some debate Mr. SUMNER withdrew his resolution, and Mr. Vickers took the oath and his seat.

Petitions were presented of one hundred and fifty destitute colored citizens of Georgia and Alabama, asking an appropriation of $100 each to enable them to emigrate to Liberia.

From citizens of Michigan for the reduction of the army and navy.

Of various publishers, against the pending copy-right law. Referred.

Also, for the abolition of Vice President of the United States.

Mr. CONKLING introduced a resolution authorizing the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from New Orleans and Mobile to be secured to the Government as a military and postroad.

Mr. WILSON called up the joint resolution for the restoration of Alabama to representation in Congress. Mr. WILSON said he had received large numbers of letters from well-known persons, certifying that many citizens had been threatened with dismissal from employment, and were dismissed after election, and professional men had been deterred from voting by representations that they would otherwise be injured in their business. He related several instances where such had been the case, among others the case of General Fitzpatrick, formerly Senator of the United States, who had threatened to dismiss men in his employ if they participated in the election, and afterwards did not. Under these circumstances he would be pretty generally resumed to northern points in a few days.

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documents and proceedings in executive session.

Mr. TRUMBULL objected.

The Senate went into executive session, and in a few minutes adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Bills were introduced and referred giving bounties to widows, minor children or parents of drafted men and deserters who returned to duty, and who died or were killed in the service.

For indemnification of owners of vessels for property sacrificed to save human life at sea.

To reduce the expenses of the navy by retiring all officers on reaching the age of sixty, and no further promotions to be made to new grades created since 1862; the naval academy to be suspended after the present season.

Declaring that the present debt should not be paid by this generation.

Declaring it to be the duty of Congress to provide for the adjustment and payment of claims of loyal citizens in the late rebel States for subsistence, &c., taken for the Union army.

To facilitate direct importation.

To incorporate the Lloyd Car Heating and Ventilating Company.

Making appropriation for the completion of commerce and refuge at Michigan City.

Refunding duties on a bell imported for the use of St. Mary's Institute.

For the improvement of Illinois river from the western terminus of the Illinois and Western Michigan Canal to its mouth.

To incorporate the Mississippi Levee Railway Company, and aid in the construction of levees on the Mississippi river.

To amend the additional bounty act, making it apply to California and Nevada volunteers.

Providing that invalid pensions shall commence on the day of disability or discharge, and continuing during the life or continuance of disability.

To abolish the office of naval officer, and provide for an auditor of accounts at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and New Orleans, all fees, &c., to be paid into the treasury; the compensation of the officer to be fixed by law, and to abolish the Bureau of Education and Board of Coast survey.

Providing that all just legal promises, agreements and contracts which have been enforced according to the legal meaning of the words used, and as understood by parties at the time.

Authorizing the establishment of a bureau for making precious metals and providing for its inauguration and support.

Memorial of the Wisconsin Legislature for confirmation of title to unsurveyed lands on the Wisconsin river.

For the removal of the restrictions to the further entry of public lands with Agricultural College scrip, and improvement of St. Croix river bordering the States of Wisconsin and Minnesota, and asking appropriations therefor.

Joint resolutions of the Wisconsin Legislature as to the rights of naturalized citizens.

Resolutions of the Missouri Legislature in reference to bounty and repairing levees.

Mr. PILE stated that he was necessarily absent from the House when the vote was taken on the impeachment articles. If present he would have voted for all but the last two.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the resolution offered last Tuesday by Mr. LOAN, instructing the Judiciary Committee to inquire into the political status of the State of Texas. After remarks by Mr. LOAN, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. NEWCOMB offered a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to report such amendment to the Constitution of the United States as shall confer the qualifications of electors impartially and uniformly in all the States. Adopted.

Mr. COOK offered a resolution directing the General Land Office to communicate all information in his office relating to the claims of heirs of New Orleans and Jefferson City, Louisiana. Adopted.

Mr. BROOMALL offered a resolution declaring that the House never has consented and never will surrender the right to withhold appropriations for carrying out treaties annexing territories. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. JUDD offered a resolution directing the Secretary of State to furnish copies of correspondence, negotiations and treaties with any German States since the 1st of January last, relating to the rights of naturalized citizens.

Mr. RICHARDSON offered a resolution declaring that a sound financial policy requires the withdrawal of interest-bearing bonds and substitution of greenbacks.

Mr. SPALDING moved to lay on the table. Negatived—yeas, 56; nays, 69, viz:

YEAS.

Ames,	Hubbard, W. Y.,	Price,	
Arnell,	Hubbard, N.Y.,	Robertson,	
Bailey, O.;	Hulburd,	Sawyer,	
Beaman,	Jenckes,	Smith,	
Blaine,	Johnson,	Starkweather,	
Chanler,	Kelley,	Stevens,	
Churchill,	Kelsey,	Taffe,	
Davis,	Laflin,	Thomas,	
Dixon,	Lincoln,	Twichell,	
Driggs,	Lynch,	Upson,	
Eckley,	Marvin,	Van Aernam,	
Ela,	McCarthy,	Van Horn,	
Farnsworth,	Miller,	Ward,	
Field,	Myers,	Washburn, Wis.;	
Garfield,	O'Neill,	Washburn, Mass.	
Griswold,	Perham,	Williams, Pa.;	
Haley,	Peters,	Wilson,	
Hale,	Pike,	Woodbridge.	
Hopkins,	Poland,		

NAYS.

Adams,	Gravely,	Morgan,	
Allison,	Grover,	Morrill,	
Ashley,	Haight,	Newcomb,	
Axtell,	Harding,	Nicholson,	
Baker,	Hawkins,	Orth,	
Barker,	Holbrook,	Paine,	
Barnum,	Holmes,	Pike,	
Beatty,	Ingersoll,	Polsley,	
Bidwell,	Judd,	Raum,	
Boyer,	Julian,	Rice,	
Brandegee,	Kerr,	Robertson,	
Burr,	Knott,	Scofield,	
Cake,	Koontz,	Stilwell,	
Clarke, Kan.;	Lawrence, Pa.;	Stokes,	
Cobb,	Lawrence, O.;	Taffe,	
Cook,	Longbridge,	Van Trump,	
Cullom,	Loughridge,	Wallace,	
Eggleston,	Mallory,	Welker,	
Eldridge,	Marshall,	Williams, Ind.;	
Ferry,	Maynard,	Wilson, Iowa.;	
Ferry,	Miller,	Windom,	
Golladay,	McCormick,		

The House refused to second the previous question, and then, on motion of Mr. ALLISON, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BEAMAN, from the Committee on Reconstruction, reported a resolution declaring the General commanding the armies to report the number of votes cast under the reconstruction laws up to the present time, for and against the Alabama Constitution.

The House proceeded to business on the Speaker's table.

The Senate's disagreement to the amendment of the House to the Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. General Anderson; on motion of Mr. HOLMAN, the House insisted on the amendment, and asked a Committee of Conference.

The Senate substitute for the House joint resolution directing certain moneys now in the hands of the United States Treasurer as special agent of the Treasury Department, to be covered by warrants into the United States Treasury, WASHBURN, of Wisconsin, moved that the Senate substitute be concurred in. The matter gave rise to considerable debate. Mr. WASHBURN specifying the cotton case of Shepherd & Co. of Parkersburg, Va., in which he says there gross frauds has been perpetrated, and Mr. LOGAN declaring he had acted as attorney for those parties, and the claim was a perfectly honest and just one.

While Mr. LOGAN was speaking, Mr. CHANLER put some questions to him and after some cross-firing, Mr. Logan remarked there was no necessity for the gentleman from New York getting excited, adding a warp could get excited, that an ant could bite, and that small things could annoy.

Mr. CHANLER interposed the suggestion, "or can make an ass kick."

Subsequently, Mr. CHANLER, rising to a personal explanation, said the gentleman from Illinois had entirely misunderstood his motive in putting questions to him, and had therefore in the course of his remarks made use of expressions which he was sure he would, on understanding his (Chanler's) motive, withdraw.

Mr. LOGAN said he supposed from the gentleman's manner that his questions were put to harrass him, but on the gentleman's explanation he would withdraw anything otherwise he had said.

In the course of discussion Mr. LOGAN alluded to a fact which created considerable stir. He said that recently the Superintendent of the Treasury Printing Bureau, Clark, had obtained the certificates of fifty millions of the United Treasury to the destruction in their presence of cancelled bonds to the amount of $18,640,000, while in fact and in truth no such bonds had been destroyed, and while only $18 was supposed to be such bonds was nothing more than blank paper. This he had been told by Mr. Clark himself. He had not believed the statement, and had gone to see the Treasurer, Gen. Spinner. Gen. Spinner had told him it was all strong, and that there ought to be some explanation made of it. He [Spinner] did not know how it was, and supposed it must have been done satisfactorily. He said if he had known the fact at the time, he would not have allowed it to be done.

Mr. PRICE said this was an alarming declaration, and wished to have some more particulars. He wished to know the name of the party to state whether the certificate showed the numbers and dates and denominations of the bonds represented as destroyed.

Mr. LOGAN replied that the certificates in question showed precisely the same character of facts and figures as all other similar certificates in the Treasury.

Mr. PRICE remarked that the gentleman from Illinois would see the object of his asking the question, if there were certificates had certified to the destruction of eighteen millions worth of bonds, and if these bonds were still in market, it was a swindle to that amount. That was a little more startling and alarming than anything he had heard of lately.

Mr. LOGAN repeated substantially his statement.

Mr. RAUM inquired what had become of the bonds.

Mr. LOGAN said he did not know, and did not pretend to be able to explain it. He also stated that he had information that rebel officers had been appointed in the State of Georgia in connection with the internal revenue, who took official oaths as the material part had been wrested from them with a pen.

Mr. PRICE, subsequently referring again to the statement relating to the fictitious destruction of bonds in the treasury, said that in his opinion of the House, he had mon with other members of the House, been very much startled by the declaration, and he would move for a committee to investigate the matter forthwith. If such fraudulent certificates could be obtained for eighteen millions, they could be obtained for eighteen hundred millions. The statement would be carried before sunset all over the country, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and all round the globe, startling bond holders and injuring the credit of the Government.

Mr. WELKER said the Committee on Retrenchment was already engaged in the investigation.

Mr. PRICE subsequently offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Retrenchment to investigate the subject, and report to the House on Wednesday. Adopted.

The Senate amendment, on which the discussion had arisen, was amended by striking out an exception of $100,000, and as amended the substitute was agreed to.

Mr. BLAINE, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the bill to locate and establish an assay office at Boise City, Idaho. Passed.

Mr. CHANLER introduced a bill explanatory of the act of January 11th, 1868, to prevent frauds in the collection of taxes on distilled spirits. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. MARSHALL, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill for holding terms of Circuit and District Courts of the United States at Cairo, commencing on the first Mondays in October and March. Passed.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, from the Postoffice Committee, reported a joint resolution authorizing to purchase a site for a postoffice and subtreasury at Boston, at a sum not exceeding $500,000. Passed.

Mr. SCHENCK offered a resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to inform the House whether Edmund Cooper, now performing the duties of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, has done so at any time since the rejection of his nomination by the Senate; if so, by what authority. Adopted.

Senate joint resolution providing for representation of the United States at the International Maritime Exposition at Havre, was passed with amendments providing against the payment of mileage to commissioners and against their being conveyed to or from Havre in any national or public vessel.

The SPEAKER presented a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, relative to sales of 10 40 bonds, the rate at which sold, &c.

Mr. MAYNARD was permitted to record his vote affirmatively on the impeachment resolutions and articles.

Mr. SCHENCK, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill to exempt certain manufactures from internal tax. Ordered printed and recommitted, with leave to report at any time.

Adjourned.

ROCHESTER, PA.

End Killed on P., Ft. W. & C. Railway---Freshet in Mahoning Creek---Railway Track Four Feet Under Water---The Ohio and Big Beaver Rivers.

Special Dispatch to Commercial.

ROCHESTER, PA., March 9, 1868.

A little boy, aged about three years, son of Mr. Johnson, was struck this morning by a train on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, near Quaker Valley station, and fatally injured. He was attempting to cross the track.

The recent rains and melting of snow has greatly swollen the streams in this vicinity. The bridge across Mahoning creek, near Youngstown, on the Lawrence branch of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, is unsafe from the action of water, and trains do not cross. The track is under water for some distance. A portion of the telegraph lines is also washed away.

The Erie and Pittsburgh Road is submerged between New Castle and Sharon. There are about four feet of water on the track. The track is badly damaged, so it will not be in condition for trains to pass over for two or three days. The water in that vicinity is falling.

The Mahoning creek on the Lawrence branch is still rising, and trains are all discontinued to-day.

The Ohio continues rising slowly, with twenty-two feet in the channel. Heavy Allegheny ice is running, but thinning out. Big Beaver ice all run out.

FORT WAYNE, IND.

Desperate Shooting Affray Among Gamblers.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

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Two gamblers by the name of Wm. McBrian and Charles Anderson got into a fight last night in the Occidental saloon in this city. Shortly afterwards, Anderson went out and was followed soon by McBrian, who, as he was leaving the saloon, was fired upon by Anderson lying in wait. McBrian then drew his revolver and the two exchanged several shots, none of which took effect. The police then interfered and put both in the lockup. This morning Anderson was discharged after paying a fine of one hundred dollars. McBrian's trial will take place to-morrow.

The Chassepot Rifle Improved.

Experience in Europe has demonstrated several defects in the Chassepot rifle, both from the danger of the explosion of the cartridge and the operation of cold weather on the rubber packing designed to cut off the escape of gas. The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* speaks of a transformed Chassepot rifle in which all of these difficulties are overcome by means so simple that it seems strange that it was not thought of long before. The happy thought is that of Mr. B. B. Hotchkiss, of New York, already so well known in connection with his projectile for rifle cannon. The india rubber packing and needle are dispensed with, as an absolute tight is obtained by the use of breech-loaders, and the absolute necessity of the soldier carrying with him a greater number of cartridges than heretofore, the French officers have now before them for decision the question of dispensing with the bayonet altogether. Like wonderful results to those attained by these officers the propriety of reducing the caliber of the musket is there hereafter to be made from 0.44 to 0.35 inch, a change which will render practicable a rifle as strong as the present musket, and one which is almost the shortest and lightest of any now in use by any nation.

SECOND EDITION.

4 O'CLOCK, A. M.

THE CAPITAL.

Minister Harvey to Get His Salary.

The Impeachment Situation.

The President's Rumored Defense.

A SUPPLEMENTAL TAX BILL.

Tax Taken Off Industrial Interests.

Investigation of Logan's Bond Story.

Resignation of Attorney Gen. Stanbery.

Formation of "Constitution Alliance."

McCulloch has not Resigned.

REPORT ON WHISKY METERS.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, March 9.

Minister Harvey's Salary.

The Senate to-day appropriated money for the Portugal mission. They have refused to do so for two years past, because of Mr. Harvey's letter to Secretary Seward in opposition to Congress in 1866. Mr. Sumner stated in the debate that Mr. Seward had said that he intended to keep Mr. Harvey in that mission as long as he held the office of Secretary of State.

The Impeachment Matter.

The impeachment situation for to-day is as follows: The managers were in session to-day, taking testimony. They have decided that the right to challenge on the part of the President does not exist, as the Constitution provides that the Senate shall try the case, and again that every State shall have two votes in the Senate. The evening papers publish what purports to be the course of the President to the following effect. First. On next Friday his counsel will appear in court ready to proceed with trial, and will ask for an extension of time. They will object to every Republican Senator who has expressed an opinion as to Mr. Johnson's guilt or innocence on the articles of impeachment being allowed to act as jurors in the case. Second. The question as to whether Senators from twenty-seven States constitute the Senate of the United States. They will take the same view of the matter that the President has in all his public speeches and State papers maintained, and until ten Southern States have their representatives in the House and Senate of the United States that the latter body is not compelled to take up, try and pass judgment on so vital and important a question as impeaching the highest officer known to the Government. If overruled, as they expect to be, it is added that the President will then resign, and appeal to the people through the ballot box. But the latter portion is looked upon as mere guess work, as it neither comes from the President nor his counsel.

Supplemental Tax Bill.

The Committee on Ways and Means will to-morrow report a highly important supplemental tax bill, which will abolish the taxes on all manufactures but spirits, petroleum and tobacco. It substantially takes the tax off all of the industrial interests but those named. At a future day a bill will be reported regulating the tax on the articles named.

Treasury Investigation.

The Retrenchment Committee will to-morrow enter upon an investigation of the charge made in the House to-day by Mr. Logan, that eighteen millions of government bonds are still in circulation which the Treasury Department professes to have redeemed and destroyed. The statement is utterly denied by all of the Treasury officials.

Stanbery Resigns.

Attorney General Stanbery handed to President Johnson this evening a letter of the resignation of his office, coupled with the hope that it may be accepted at once. The President informed Mr. Stanbery that he should hold it under advisement. The object of this resignation is for the purpose of allowing Mr. Stanbery to become one of the counsel in the impeachment trial, which he cannot become so long as he is a member of the Cabinet.

"Constitution Alliance."

F. J. Tucker, the individual who was lately arrested in New York for attempting to raise volunteers in the interest of the President, is in Washington, and states that a large military organization, known as the "Constitution Alliance," is in process of formation throughout the country in opposition to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Secretary McCulloch.

In response to an inquiry to-night, flatly contradicted the rumors which have prevailed to-day that he had resigned.

The Scientific Commission

Appointed to examine the merits of various meters for whisky stills, will probably report to-morrow, warmly recommending the meter system in the collection of the tax on distilled spirits.

Air Line Railroad.

The House Committee on Roads and Canals have agreed to report a bill for the construction of an air line railroad between Washington and New York, and requiring express trains to be run over it in seven hours.

WASHINGTON, March 9, 1868.

LAND SALES.

Sixteen thousand four hundred and ninety-one acres of land were disposed of during Feb. ruary, at the Humboldt, Kansas, land office.

SEIZURES BY REVENUE OFFICERS.

Eight large distilleries and rectifying establishments were seized last night by Government officers. The property taken possession of was valued at about half a million dollars.

IMPORTANT INSURANCE CASE.

In the Supreme Court to-day, Judge Nelson delivered the opinion in the case of Manrow against the Alliance Insurance Company. The Company had insured the ship Marshall for $8,000, not only against the perils of the sea, but as was stated in the margin against all seizures of effects. The Marshall having started on her voyage, was captured in 1861 by a party of rebels within a few miles of New Orleans. The Court held that there was at that time a *de facto* government in the South, which was declared to be a government in possession of the sovereignty of a particular section of the country, exercising some of the rights of an independent government, such as blockade, taking and exchange of prisoners, and transport of armies. There was no more necessity that there should be a recognized legal government to justify seizures than a necessity to recognize the insurrection. The Court reports to draw off eleven States from their allegiance to this government, and setting up the so-called Confederate States Government, were illegal, those States still being constitutionally in the Union. The principles affirmed in the judgment of the Circuit Court of Massachusetts in favor of the appellant. Chief Justice Chase and Associate Justice Swayne dissented from the opinion. Judge Nelson remarked that the principles announced in the decision applied to several other insurance cases.

THE GEORGIA INJUNCTION CASE.

The Court, in the Georgia injunction case, decided to hear the argument on motion for leave on the regular motion day, and not before as moved, and then only on behalf of the complainant. It was ordered that no argument be heard after March 31st, except in cases in which argument had been previously commenced.

FRAUDULENT GINGER BRANDY.

Immense frauds have been perpetrated in the export of trashy preparations under the name of ginger brandy, by certain parties in New York. The principal has been arrested at his private residence near Washington, and taken to New York for trial. Other similar frauds are being discovered in that city.

AMENDMENT OF REVENUE LAW.

The bill reported to the House to-day by Mr. Schenck provides for the repeal of sections 94 and 95 of the internal revenue act of 1864, and the acts amendatory thereof, except so much of said sections and amendments as relate to taxes imposed on gas made of coal, wholly, in part, or of any other material, on ores or articles, the products of the distillation, re-distillation or refining of crude petroleum, or of single distillation of coal, shale, peat or asphaltum, or other bituminous substances, or wines therein described, and on snuff and all articles manufactures of tobacco, including cigarettes, cigars and cheroots. The act is to go into effect May 1st next.

NOMINATIONS.

The President to-day sent to the Senate the following nominations: Oliver Munger, of Ohio, Consul at Turk's Island; Cushman K. Davis, Attorney for the United States, District of Minnesota. This nomination is consequently confirmed. James W. Snyder, Assessor of Internal Revenue, Twenty-fourth District, New York; Robert H. Lindsey, Postmaster, Boise City, Idaho; Henry Montague, Postmaster, White Water, Wis.

SALES OF FIVE-TWENTIES.

The Secretary of the Treasury, in a communication to the House, states that the total receipts from the sales of 5-20 bonds, from October 6, 1867, to January 20, 1868, is $7,753,600, of which there was sold at the Stock Exchange $2,909,500. The remainder was sold by Jay Cooke & Co., at rates varying from one-eighth to one-quarter of one per cent. higher than the sales made at the Stock Exchange.

PATENTS.

Two hundred and twenty-four patents will be issued from the Patent Office for the week ending on the 10th.

LOGAN'S BOND SENSATION EXPLAINED.

The startling remarks made to-day by Representative Logan in connection with the Treasury bonds, induced Representatives Van Wyck and Laflin to wait on Gen. Spinner to get information from him on the subject. Other gentlemen equally solicitous made similar inquiries. Gen. Spinner emphatically asserts that the Government has not lost a dollar's worth of bonds by the transaction to which Logan referred. There is no foundation for the reports that fraud could be committed in this particular, and it has doubtless risen from a misunderstanding of the manner in which business is conducted in the printing bureau, and he explained that when a specific amount of bonds is directed to be printed, the exact number of white or blank sheets necessary for that purpose is issued, for which a correct return is given by the person responsible for the custody of sheets, and when they are spoiled, or for any reason are not printed, they are destroyed as macerated, and that fact certified on the account book and entered under the head of statistical, as an offset to the account for sheets issued. This is General Spinner's explanation. The Committee on Retrenchment will investigate the subject to-morrow, and made an early report.

RUMORS.

It is reported the Senate Financial Committee has agreed to Senator Hendrickson's bill to increase the National Bank circulation to $400,000,000. The House Reconstruction Committee to-day agreed to report the Alabama Constitution for ratification to-morrow.

HARRISBURG.

BOOMING THE ALLEGHENY RIVER.

Bill Passed Finally in Both Houses.

Inspector of Stationary Engines and Boilers.

Local Bills Introduced and Passed.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

HARRISBURG, March 9, 1868.

SENATE.

Bills Introduced.

By Mr. Ernett, of Allegheny—Restraining unlicensed peddling in Tarentum borough, Allegheny county.

By Mr. Searight, of Fayette—Incorporating the Monongahela Association of Baptist Churches.

Also extending the time for the payment of enrollment tax on an act incorporating the Dollar Savings Bank of Uniontown, Fayette county.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. M

The Daily Commercial

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1868.

THE COMMERCIAL is the largest daily paper in the State, and gives daily one-fourth more reading than any other paper in Pittsburgh. It is the only Pittsburgh paper that uses the telegraph liberally, gives full market reports, and all the news of the day.

As proof of the estimate placed on the market reports of the COMMERCIAL, *we will state that they are regularly copied by the New York Economist, Shipping List, Iron Age, and other papers of this character in that and other cities, and that leading English commercial papers and circulars regularly reprint them with credit. There is within five hundred miles, hardly an Iron Factory, Oil Refinery, or leading manufactory of any kind that is not a subscriber to the* COMMERCIAL, *principally, because its reports are the only full and reliable given of the Pittsburgh markets.*

ON the third page of the COMMERCIAL this morning will be found an admirable address by R. B. MOWRY, M. D., delivered before the Allegheny county Medical Society.

ONE of the noticeable things about the resolutions of the Democratic State Convention is that they reserved all their denunciation for the Republican party, and forgot entirely to say as much as a single word in condemnation of the rebellion. It is not a harsh judgment that had they spoken their real sentiments an expression of sympathy would have been given for the rebels now suffering the consequences of their attempt to break up the Union.

MILES O'REILEY, in the New York *Citizen*, has "authority for stating definitely that under no circumstances will Mr. SEYMOUR permit the use of his name" for the Presidency. MILES thinks he has some authority—"not absolute, however"—for saying Gen. SHERMAN will consent to be the Democratic candidate. There is better authority for saying that under no circumstances will SHERMAN run against GRANT. After SHERMAN, says MILES, comes Mayor HOFFMAN, who, we suspect, is in some danger; though WOODWARD of this State may prevent him from being struck by the Presidential lightning by stepping in ahead—to which end there is a scheme on foot.

THE release of the bondsmen of JEFFERSON DAVIS, probably extinguishes all hope that the great traitor will ever he held to answer for the crime of treason; and one of the things which thousands will treasure up against Chief Justice CHASE is, that from the first he has chosen that it should be so. With another man for Chief Justice, DAVIS would have been tried long ago, and if not punished, at least the question would have been settled whether or not the right to secede inheres with our form of Government, and whether or not any crime was committed when the South rebelled. As it is nobody has been punished, no principle has been settled. As it stands, whoever gets up a rebellion runs no risk of being punished, and the plea that secession is a right is as good as ever it was.

SENATOR SHERMAN'S speech on the financial question is likely to arrest quite as much attention abroad as at home. The essence of it as to the redemption of 5-20 bonds is contained in the single sentence wherein he says: "Equity and justice are amply satisfied if we redeem these bonds at the end of five years in the same kind of money, of the same intrinsic value it bore at the time they were issued." As to his bill for an exchange of the old bonds for a new one at a reduced rate of interest, he hold this language:

> "We leave the bondholders to stand precisely as they are, and they will be paid six per cent. interest in gold until their bonds are redeemed, and they can not be redeemed under existing laws without further legislation, and that legislation will have to be provided by the present Congress at its next session or by some future Congress. All that the Committee on Finance do in this bill—and, perhaps, in discussing it or other points I've gone from—and the necessity of the case—is to offer to all the public creditors these new bonds in exchange for the old, to be done without expense to the government, and the next session will decide the question whether the redemption of these bonds shall be postponed to some indefinite future which we may be able to pay gold for what we received in depreciated paper. We do not decide it and do not undertake to decide it, but we simply submit that option."

JAY COOKE & Co. have written a letter in opposition to the proposition to pay the United States bonds in greenbacks, in case the holders refuse to convert them into the proposed new issue. In it is maintained that "the bonds were offered directly to the people and sold to them at prices which could not possibly have been obtained but for the distinct understanding that they were payable, *principal and interest in coin*." The writer with great force says:

> If the Government should pay in greenbacks, what is a greenback but a promise to pay a dollar; and if 500,000,000 of greenbacks should be issued to pay the 5-20s, must we not afterward pay them, and if so, in what but gold? Such an issue of paper money, every thinking man knows, would totally unsettle values and indefinitely remove the resumption of specie payment. But, on the other hand, without any increase of currency, in a reasonable time, specie payment will be resumed, gold and greenbacks will be in equal value, and to pay the bonds in gold will be no hardship.

As to who are the holders of the bonds, data is given going to show that "the capitalists are in very small minority, and any legislation repudiating, in whole or in part, the obligation of the bonds of the Government would fall most severely upon widows, orphans and people of small capital, who invested their money in those securities in perfect reliance upon the representations made to them by the Treasury Department, directly and through its agents at the time of their issue."

RAGS FOR THE PEOPLE.

The PENDLETON doctrine of redeeming the National obligations in greenbacks is just this: They would set the printing press at work—hundreds of them would be necessary—striking off paper money, professedly legal tenders, which they would force upon the public creditors. The obligations amount to two thousand million of dollars, and the PENDLETONIAN-Democratic idea is, to flood the country to this extent with greenbacks, which would be the most complete and speedy method possible of realizing the idea of "Rags for the People," and worthless ones too. To illustrate,—the first batch of five hundred million would send gold, which is now 140, up to 250, and greenbacks, which are now worth 71, down to 40. With twelve hundred million of bonds still out, even the most moderate calculator will be able to arrive at some like of what [illegible] gold and the be by the time nance was car- rather, by the e was out, it stical ability to part of a cent it would be

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CARE OF THE INSANE.

Diseases of the mind were never before so well understood as at the present day. Indeed this is true of all the diseases to which man is subject. The least erudite physician who applies a recognized system in the practice of his profession, has now at his command a degree of recorded knowledge regarding the human body, that would have filled even the SYDENHAMS and the MASON GOODS of three score years ago, with amazement and delight. The least intelligent are also aware that the investigation of the body in health and disease, has thrown a brilliant light upon the connection between the mind and its earthly tenement. There was a time when disease was considered as not the result of lesion, or derangement of the corporeal organs, but as something positive superadded to them. At the same time, and also long after bodily disease was known to be organic, or functional disturbance, mental disease was believed even by some scientific men, to be quite disconnected from the corporeal organs. There was supposed to be something supernatural about it. By not a few, it was regarded as the evidence and product of a divine, or a diabolic visitation—and its victim was deemed the proper subject for priestly exorcism, or some religious spell. Among those who failed to discern the efficacy of supernatural remedies, it was a common belief that the patient must minister to himself—and this belief was certainly founded in some degree on fact. It is now a well established truth that a tendency to insanity may be somewhat controlled by the will, and in certain stages of the malady the same self-ministry may serve as an effective means of cure. However, that this mode of cure may be successfully applied, the sufferer must be placed in favorable circumstances. Causes of excitement must be removed, the necessity of coming into contact with disturbing influences must be taken out of the way of the person who happens to be afflicted with the premonitory symptoms of the disease, and much more, if assailed by the disease itself.

While it would be unwarrantable presumption to affirm that there is no such thing as purely mental disease, there is much reason to conclude that such disease is unknown. Whatever is subject to disease may perish—and as the mind is immortal, it is probably not susceptible in itself of suffering any assault upon its healthy action. The so called mental diseases are most likely merely functional perturbations, which proceed from a lesion discoverable, or undiscoverable of a bodily organ or organs through which the mind acts. Hence the importance of placing the person affected, or threatened with insanity under competent medical treatment. No doubt the accomplished physician will apply mental, or rather moral remedies—as in the treatment of nervous diseases. We write without reference to the exact classification of maladies laid down in books. Our object is simply to urge the importance to the community of possessing a sufficiency of such establishments as are required for the adequate care of its insane. At present thousands linger on into permanent and hopeless disease from the mere want of provisions for their care and cure. Some of them from the poverty of themselves, or their friends cannot receive the benefit of the existing agencies. In a christian State this ought not to be. But the existing agencies are wholly inadequate to the public wants. And from remarks we have heard and seen we fear that many are still under the dominion of the ancient and exploded notion—that mental disease is an affection so distinctly different from all other diseases, that its subjects do not present the same claim for aid. A great English poet, the victim of a despondency that ended in despair and madness, complained bitterly that melancholy which so much needed sympathy met with little. Either from a still lurking remainder of old superstition, or because the insane are unable to utter rational reproach for the neglect experienced, or from some other cause, it is evident that this class are not regarded with the compassion to which they are entitled. The repulsive nature of the malady may partly account for the fact. Fact we believe it to be, and if so, it is a fact as discreditable to our christianity as to our civilization. Some weeks ago we called attention to the report on the neglected insane of the Commonwealth, prepared and published by a committee of the State Medical Society. We trust that few readers have forgotten the dreadful details which we briefly stated at that time. We have yet to hear, however, that anything has been done to remedy a condition of things so deplorable.

A Book for Lawyers.

The Law Register, Official Directory, State Record and Collectors' Assistant, for 1868. By John Livingstone, Secretary of the Merchants' Union Law Company. Merchants' Union Law Company.

This is an entirely new edition of what was formerly known as "Livingston's Law Register." We have examined it with some care, and are ready to believe the statement in its preface, that it is "an entirely new and original production, nothing having been copied from any preceding edition." Commencing with an exhaustive index, it gives a list of attorneys, with their places of business and residences, in the United States and Territories; a State record containing the State and county offices, the organization, jurisdiction and terms of the court for every State and Territory; an official directory of the United States, containing the officers of the Federal Government, the duties of the several departments, sketches of all the members of Congress: the officers and terms of the Federal courts, and a Collector's Assistant, giving the laws for collecting debts, executing deeds, verifying claims and taking testimony, with forms for every State.

The Register has been compiled with very great care, yet we observe some errors of omission and commission; errors, however, which cannot detract from the real merits and value of the work, for when it is remembered that it contains 1,008 octavo pages, the names of 37,296 lawyers, and of 48,350 officials, in all 85,646, besides an abstract of the collection laws of all the States and Territories, and much other valuable information—the only wonder is that the errors are not more numerous. To most lawyers and business men this work would save its cost many times over every year. To ascertain the mode of collecting debts in any particular State a business man often-times pays more than the price of this book. We feel justified in commending the work to the confidence of those classes for whose use it has been compiled.

The Court of Impeachment.

The following table of Senators who form the High Court of Impeachment will prove valuable for reference:

REPUBLICANS.		DEMOCRATS.	
Anthony, R. I.	Morrill, Me.	Bayard, Del.	Hendricks, Ind.
Cameron, Pa.	Morton, Ind.	Buckalew, Pa.	Johnson, Md.
Chandler, Mich.	Norton, Minn.	Davis, Ky.	Nesmith, Or.
Conness, Cal.	Nye, Nevada.	Doolittle, Wis.	Patterson, Tenn.
Corbett, Oregon.	Patterson, N. H.	Fowler, Tenn.	Saulsbury, Md.
Cragin, N. H.	Pomeroy, Kansas.	Hendricks, Ind.	
Drake, Mo.	Ramsey, Minn.		
Edmunds, Vt.	Ross, Kansas.		
Ferry, Ct.	Sherman, Ohio.		
Fessenden, Me.	Sprague, R. I.		
Frelinghuysen, N. J.	Stewart, Nevada.		
Grimes, Iowa.	Sumner, Mass.		
Harlan, Iowa.	Thayer, Neb.		
Henderson, Mo.	Tipton, Neb.		
Howard, Mich.	Van Winkle, W. V.		
Howe, Wis.	Wade, Ohio.		
Morgan, N. Y.	Willey, W. V.		
Morrill, Vt.	Wilson, Mass.		
	Yates, Ill.		

A LATE writer earnestly insists upon feeding the poor before you try to make them better. It is difficult, he says, for a famished man to believe that there is a Father in Heaven until he feels that he has brothers on earth; is it surprising then that religious truth should find more indifference than welcome among the hungry and half nourished? Christ knows how unamiable even the best-fed are liable to become if kept too long waiting for their meals—how inaccessible they are at such times to appeals which after dinner meet most gracious response. Voltaire knew this very well when he told plate seekers—"Il faut toujours prendre ses gens comme ils sont. Il y a une grande ame, logée sous les haillons de nos passions, notre manière de penser, notre conduite."

LOCOMOTIVE FOR COMMON ROADS.—A new locomotive engine for common roads has been exhibited in Edinburgh. It is set upon three wheels and weighs about five tons. It is capable of going over the roughest roads, climbing the steepest hills and traveling over ploughed land with perfect ease. This power is due to the fact that it has tiers of india rubber five inches thick and two feet broad, which take hold of the ground like an elephant's foot. These solve the problem of road steamers complete, and it is impossible to anticipate all the uses to which they may be put in the pursuits of agriculture or the operations of war.

The Bedford Free Railroad Meeting.

A large and influential meeting of the citizens of Bedford was held in the Court House, on Monday, 2d instant, at which Hon. Alex. King, President Judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District, presided, assisted by Hon. Wm. G. Eicholtz, Hon. Job Mann, and John Mower, Esq., as Vice Presidents, and Jno. Lutz and Jno. P. Reed, Esqs., Secretaries. Messrs. W. M. Hall, John W. Lingenfelter and George H. Spang, Esqs., Committee, reported a series of resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, expressing gratification at the decision of the Supreme Court declaring the act repealing the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad charter unconstitutional, and hailing with joy the prospect of the early completion of a grand through road from Pittsburgh to Baltimore, which will pass within twenty miles of Bedford and open up to commerce, mining and manufactures in that portion of the State; regretting the fact that the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad seemed to be a mere occupation of the ground, with no intention of making a road; dissenting from J. Edgar Thomson's opinion that it is impracticable to build a through railroad through Southern Pennsylvania, and hoping that Philadelphia capital and enterprise will ultimately build an independent through road. The third and fourth resolutions are as follows:

> 3. That Bedford being thirty nine miles nearer, *via* Willis Creek to Baltimore, than *via* Huntingdon to Philadelphia, and sixty miles nearer, *via* same route, to Pittsburgh than *via* Huntingdon, our natural Railroad connection as between these routes is with the Connellsville road at Bridgeport, and we urge upon our citizens to be prepared to aid such an enterprise with their good will and money.
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> 4. That the line from Bedford to Willis Creek, being nearly straight, of easy grade, with no deep cuts or expensive bridges, the road can be made at such small expense as to be within the reach of accomplishment by a united effort as soon as the Connellsville road is put under contract.

Messrs. Wm. M. Hall, Wm. Hartley, J. R. Durbarrow, S. L. Russell, G. H. Spang, J. W. Dickerson, J. W. Lingenfelter, Job Mann, John Alsip and John Cessna were appointed a committee to procure the passage of an act of Assembly chartering the Bedford and Bridgeport Railroad Company, and to take such steps as may be deemed wise to inform the public of the advantages of this railroad connection, and to place the project in course of accomplishment. A resolution was adopted approving the course of Hons. J. T. Richards and John Weller, in favor of a Free Railroad Law, and indorsing the House bill as such, and requesting Senator Alex. Stutzman to vote for said House bill.

The Spring Trade.

[From the N. Y. Commercial Bulletin.]

It is now apparent that we shall have a late spring and an early summer trade, with a probability that they may both follow each other with so much closeness as almost to merge them together. The extraordinary severity of the winter which now, more than ever, "lingers in the lap of spring," have operated to keep buyers from the markets. Unusual winter impediments to railroad transportation have been added to the suspension of canal navigation to depress business, but there is no good reason to apprehend that the gloomy forebodings of a continued depression are likely to be realized. The spring trade is only deferred not destroyed. We shall, probably, have a larger volume of business crowded into a shorter space of time; it is also probable that prices will be maintained. Country dealers are generally bare of goods, and the markets are far from being overstocked. The importations promise to be very light, and home manufacturers have been very cautious in their operations during the fall and winter. From the causes it is quite safe to anticipate that trade, whatever there is of it, will be brisk, and that profits will not fall below the average. A large and very prosperous business is scarcely to be looked for in advance of the harvest and the Presidential election excitement.

The advance of prices has enabled those manufacturers who through superior sagacity and the command of capital continued their operations during the winter to realize handsome profits. We are informed of several instances of this kind in this city and State, and in New England. But these cases appear to be exceptions to the rule. As a general thing manufacturing was conducted on a very limited scale during the winter. Many have not established even entirely suspended. These are all resuming work again on reduced schedules of wages that will place producers in a better position to meet the requirements of the market.

The middle and concluding weeks in March may therefore be looked forward to with a degree of interest that will be unrivaled with anxiety as bringing something like a return of business activity. Trade will be late, but it may be greater in bulk than is generally supposed. If it were not for the uncertainties from the political situation, the prospects of business would be more favorable. The fierce partisan agitation in Washington induces a want of confidence that exercises a restraining influence on trade. The doubts respecting the settlement of the important financial issues that press for a solution, and which can only be settled upon by industry which Congress manifests no disposition to modify and settle, must operate to the prejudice of business interests. But we have probably touched the bottom of the business stagnation, and the recuperative energy and resources of the people and the country may be relied upon to carry us forward to a better condition of affairs that may gradually approximate to a sound commercial prosperity.

PERSONAL.

—The Memoirs of Talleyrand, which were to be published thirty years after his death, had become almost forgotten. M. Charles Coligny, in an article in the *Gazette des Etrangers*, calls attention to the fact that the period is now approaching its expiration, as the celebrated diplomatist died on the 17th of May, 1838. The will of Talleyrand contained the following curious passage: "My recollections, which have been terminated for some time past, and which I declare shall not be published until thirty years after my death, will explain to posterity my conduct during the revolutionary tempest."

—Advantage has been taken of the publication of the report of the trustees of Mr. Peabody's gift to the poor of London, to remind the rich how much good they might do if they would, and how much need there is that they should. Mr. Peabody's first £100,000 has provided comfortable homes for more than fifteen hundred people, and his second, which is to be applied in Westminster, next year, will double the amount of service rendered by this boon.

—The Hub, already fully conscious of its superiority to the outside universe, is further puffed by Dickens. The novelist declares that Boston has society, hotels, suburbs, culture and appreciation beyond those of any other American city, and he finds no difficulty in getting the Bostonians to believe him. The *Post* of that supreme municipality says Dickens "swears by Boston and at most other cities." He intends being there every possible minute until he takes ship for home.

—The Hon. Richard *H.* Bayard, formerly a United States Senator from Delaware, but several years past a resident of Philadelphia, died at his residence in Philadelphia, on Wednesday, aged seventy-two. He was the son of the elder James A. Bayard, an eminent citizen of Delaware in the early part of the present century, and was born at Wilmington. He was educated at Princeton College, and admitted to practice at the bar, and subsequently took an active part in politics as a Whig. He was United States Senator from Delaware from 1839 to 1845, and again from 1841 to 1845. He was after wards a Minister Resident of the United States in Belgium. Of late years he has lived in retirement, taking no active part in politics.

—The second instalment of the life of Gen Grant by his father, appears in this week's *Ledger*, from which we extract the following: "It was said of him that while at West Point he was not one who took pains to make himself popular, but that all the boys liked him. I believe he went by the name of 'Uncle Sam,' on account of his initials, 'U. S.' A superstitious person might also think there was something Providential about these significant initials being stuck on to him, for they were not given to him at his christening. When the question arose after his birth what he should be called, his mother and her father's aunts proposed Albert, for Albert Gallatin; another aunt proposed Theodore; his grand-father proposed Hiram, because he thought that was a handsome name. His grandmother—grandmother by courtesy—that is, his mother's stepmother—was a great student of history, and had an enthusiastic admiration for the ancient commander Ulysses; and she urged that the babe should be named Ulysses. It seemed that, and he was christened by the latter name, which he was always called, except the latter name, which he was always called, except when he got old enough to know about it. But Mr. Hamer, knowing Mrs. Grant's name was Simpson, and that he had a son named Simpson, somehow got the matter a little mixed in making the nomination, and sent the name Ulysses S. Grant, instead of Hiram Ulysses Grant. My son tried in vain, afterward, to get it set right by the authorities; and I suppose he is now content with his name as it stands."

—A Paris letter, speaking of the rage on gaming, says: But, by way of exception to the general rule, much has been said about the losses of Khalil Bey, a former Turkish ambassador, who, after several week's experience, lost twelve hundred thousand francs. On account of that, he sold his pictures—a charming modern collection. The prices obtained were not very good, but that fact did not delay the sale of two or three other modern collections. One of them belonged to Demidoff, the celebrated Russian owner of the malachite mines and the palace of San Donato near Florence; the bearer of the title of Prince given by the ex-Duke of Tuscany, and formerly husband of the Princess of Montfort, the niece of the late Emperor Napoleon, and daughter of Jerome Napoleon, who was divorced from Miss Patterson.

—When Sam Houston was President of the Texas Republic, its Congress objected to his off-hand, blunt speeches, and intimated that it would be both convenient and respectful for him to put his addresses in writing. The next time he appeared in the chamber, he bore a roll of paper, tied with ribbon, and labelled in large letters. He spoke with this roll in his hands, waving it gracefully with his gestures, and when he had done handed it, with a bow, to the clerk, and stalked out of the hall. On being opened, it proved to be a roll of blank paper.

CONSOLIDATION.

Reply of Controller Steel to Judge Mellon.

Hon. Thomas Mellon:

DEAR SIR: Your rejoinder to my letter of the 3d inst. evinces a decided improvement in tone and character over the proceedings of your East Liberty meeting, and it is satisfactory to know from your own statement that city associations will *polish* the "manner and tongue" of those whose proceedings at the late meeting were so questionable. It is pleasant to think your simile of the "hen and chicken" was easily obtained from "Mother Goose's Melodies," where the inevitable "hen and chicken" invariably appear, and many interesting little stories. The keen penetration that unerringly leads you to detect some one "behind the scenes" is certainly to be admired. Then your familiar talk about "telling to the marines" hovering about, and other spangled paragraphs are quite refreshing, but prove little in the way of argument.

With studied effect you parade the case of Mr. Dennison, which is hypothetical as to amount of sales and valuation. Individual instances should not be given except when they operate on all tax-payers alike. It appears to me disingenious to drag in business tax when it will hardly affect one in fifty in your district.

Out of the eighteen or twenty gentlemen who *appear* as officiating at your meeting, probably not one pays a business tax in the new districts, while quite a number of them pay heavily in the old city. Mr. Dennison's prosperity is certainly gratifying, although your magnificent figures fail to appear when searching for the amount of his sales, as he only takes out a "retailer's license." So long as his team is confined to the districts where there are no paved streets and toll-gates exist, there will be no tax, and if the law is not sufficiently clear as to his exemption and all similar cases, Councils will set all right.

This scarecrow of wagon license did so much service before the October election, I think it would be well to let it rest, for there is really nothing in it. It would just answer as good a purpose to raise a "howl" that the new districts were left without protection, because there is an ordinance requiring all dogs to be muzzled during certain months. Is it not frivolous to urge such arguments for the dismemberment of the city, when your own councilmen can at any time have all such ordinances repealed or amended to suit the townships?

To offset your hypothetical case of Mr. Dennison, permit me to state one: A gentleman in one of the new districts owns property valued at $50,000, marked "rural." Here's his case:

Tax 1867.		Tax 1868.	
Road	7 mills.	City	13 mills.
School	13 mills.	School	6 mills.
Poor	2½ mills.	Poor	3 mills.
		City Building	5 mills.
	22½ mills.		27 mills.
Reduction			9 mills.

Showing a saving of four and a half mills under consolidation:

22½ mills on valuation of $50,000	$1,125 00
18 mills on same valuation	925 00
Saving	$200 00

Every fair man well knows that such a showing is only correct where the property is marked "rural," and in order to make a full exhibit, the calculation must be made on the same valuation not marked "rural." No reduction being made there will be four and a half mills more than prior to consolidation, counting in the temporary tax for city buildings.

I hope there is no impropriety in illustrating by your own valuation and assessments in Collins township. Let me explain that you count sixteen mills for city purposes, while I calculate thirteen, all that will be necessary this year.

The valuation of your dwelling and improvements with 19½ acres of land is $6,010, and will be marked "rural." Then you have sundry lots and improvements valued at $1,090 that cannot be so marked.

Tax 1867.		Tax 1868.	
Road	10 mills.	City	13 mills.
School	10	School	6 "
Poor	2½	Poor	3 "
		City Building	5 "
	22½		27
		Reduction	9

Valuation $7,100 to which apply 22½ mills, last year's rate, and you have $159 86 tax.

Same valuation at this year's millage $6,010 marked "rural" at 18 mills brings $108 18, and on $1,090 not so marked produces $20 56.

Tax 1867	$159 86
Tax 1868	137 74
	$22 12

showing a saving to you Mr. Judge of $22 12 under the new order of things. When property is marked "rural" there will be an average saving of 2½ mills in the five townships, and when it is not "rural" the millege will be nearly the same as before consolidation, when the special tax for building is not taken into account.

If there is any average increase in the townships it will be too small to contend about.

Consolidation does not necessarily imply increased taxation, but where such is the result, the advantages arising therefrom fully compensate for the increased outlay. Let us see how the permanent taxes which the people must always pay will compare between the five town-ships and the old city. The only burthen now borne by the people of the old city is the interest on the railroad indebtedness, absorbing about fifteen mills out of the sixteen levied last year.

It is a queer fact that nearly every leader against consolidation was an ardent repudiator of our railroad bonds, and notwithstanding their most unfortunate efforts in that direction, they are just as willing now to bring confusion into our municipal affairs by repudiating consolidation. Time has shown that the greatest folly ever committed by the people was in permitting certain gentlemen to carry out their scheme of repudiation. The weight saddled on the people by this abortive effort is most woeful, and their character for fair dealing is tainted for a long time to come. I do not impugne the motive of any gentleman who favored repudiation. No doubt the great majority thought they were doing right. I mention this simply to show that gentlemen who were so hugely mistaken in one instance where the public interest was at stake, may be equally as far astray in respect to the effect of consolidation on the outer districts.

But to return to the subject immediately under consideration. When the railroad debt is not taken into account, the per capita tax on the inhabitants of the old city is less than the per capita tax in the five townships. I speak of direct taxes, viz: City, school, poor, and road. In the city, after deducting interest on railroad indebtedness, the city, poor and school tax amounted to eleven mills, which applied to a valuation of $12,644,762, produces $139,092, and in the townships the road, school and poor tax average 21½ mills and on a valuation of $2,125,046 gives $45,688. There are 13,534 taxables in the ten wards and 4,166 in the townships, giving a population of upwards of 80,000 in the wards and 25,000 in the townships. Now, divide the amount of money raised by the number of inhabitants and you have $1 82 for each man, woman and child in the townships while in the city it is $1 73, being in favor of the corporation.

Leaving out the railroad indebtedness, when compared with other cities of like character and wealth, Pittsburgh is as well governed and at less cost than any other city in the country. Permit me to say that her great resources outside of direct taxation will pay two-thirds of the interest on her railroad compromise bonds, so that any man at a glance can see what a fine condition of things would exist if the heresy of repudiation had been avoided. But a better state of affairs has taken place, and legislative action is being had for the creation of a sinking fund, which is expected to retire the whole of the railroad bonds by simply paying the interest on the whole amount, within a period of fifty years, as required by the act of consolidation. The law requires the old city to provide for her own indebtedness, and she is able and willing to do so, and the new districts have nothing to complain of in that direction. I think I have fairly shown that the per capita tax for the government of the city is no greater than in the five townships, and that the general taxation is no greater in those districts than it was last year.

Now, my dear Judge, under all the circumstances, is it expedient, is it advisable for gentlemen occupying high positions in society, like yourself, when the people are carrying out a favorite measure, to throw obstacles in their way, embarrass their movements, create discord and bring confusion into our municipal affairs? Would it not be much better to aid with your counsels, point out what will be for the general good, and suggest corrections to any measure that is injurious or not applicable to the new districts? If there is any wrong done or about to be done to the new districts point it out and it will be speedily corrected. Let your Councilmen study what will best suit the interests of their constituents, and they will be satisfied in every particular. At the same time they must expect some ripple to disturb the smoothness of the stream. Such things occurred before consolidation, and will undoubtedly continue to occur from time to time, but after all our business will move on as smoothly as sublunary things possibly can.

With sentiments of esteem, I remain, yours truly,

THOMAS STEEL.

PITTSBURGH, March 9, 1868.

From Detroit.

Special Correspondence of Pittsburgh Commercial.
DETROIT, March 2, 1868.

The three calendar months allotted to the empire of winter are past, but he seems disposed to "hold over" his reign for some further exercise of his power. In fact, for the past two days the icy scepter has been shaken more fiercely than before over this region, and we have had the greatest storm of the season, after "the season" was legitimately over. The winter, proper, has been an uncommonly proper winter—constantly, equally, moderately cold, and presenting, almost without interruption, cloudless skies above and a snow-clad earth beneath. It has been what I call a model winter—for the same reason that I call a man a model man—because without capricious changes, it steadily fulfills its mission and honors its promises, not smiling in sunlight and sulking in clouds, the same hour, nor tempting you out with gentle zephyrs, to send you home under a Borean blast, with chills and catarrh. Winter here is a reliable condition, that one can base calculations on. In its season, it is like a habit formed, or like a business, that one gets used to. But I am afraid my figures will fail to convey an idea of the difference there is between winter here and that of two degrees South—Pittsburgh for example—with its chilling humidity, its frequent changes, its fussy snow squalls, its clouds, its mud.

With an intermission of three or four days, last week, when a south wind and a vernal sun entered into a combination against it, the sleighing has been fine for more than three months. For a good portion of that time no vehicles on wheels, except the street cars and occasionally an omnibus, were seen in the streets. Even the drays were superceded by sleds. Sleighing in this city is entitled to the name of an "institution." Not only does it serve the purposes of business, but it also contributes largely to the recreation of the citizens. All the streets, broad and level, afford convenient and pleasant winter drives. But fashion, as everywhere, has here its chosen places of resort. The *corso* for sleighing here is a beautiful, broad street, Lafayette, with a Nicolson pavement under its *tunica alba* of wintry covering. It is, of course, smooth and well adapted for driving. It is also long enough, extending to the city limits, and affording those who desire it, the opportunity to extend their drive two or three miles.

The afternoons on this street present a scene of gay and joyous life. Turnouts of all descriptions, most of them beautiful, some of them splendid, move up and down this winter boulevard for a couple of hours each day. Matched horses and single ones, beautifully caparisoned, before sleighs and "cutters" of brilliant colors and graceful forms, with robes, furs and wrappings of all gay hues, move along one side of the street as in a procession and alongside the other as in a race course. In some of the vehicles are families, in some small parties, in some pairs, and in some solitaries. Chatting and laughing among themselves, and bowing to friends as they pass, some glide gently along, while others, absorbed in the one idea of a fast team, with extended arms and excited face, dart through the course with a speed only limited by the capabilities of horse flesh.

The number of sleighs thronging this street, on pleasant afternoons, surprises one at the first sight. Two hundred would be a moderate figure for expressing it. Ninety-five have been counted passing a given point in the short space of five minutes. Yet the enjoyments of the gay scene have not, so far I have heard, been marred by the occurrence of any serious accident. This may be attributed, in part, to the offices of policemen preventing any sudden crossing of vehicles from adjoining streets, and, in larger part, to the sobriety, good nature and skillful horsemanship of those participating in the recreation. The large majority drive at safe and moderate speed, for an airing and exhilaration in the bracing winter atmosphere. And the street is broad enough to allow, with safety, of exceptional cases of that peculiar ambition of man which is based upon the wind and legs of fast horses.

Utilitarian queries may naturally arise in the minds of practical Pittsburghers, to whom winter is as summer, not to say, day as night. They may be forestalled, by protesting that business and the grave duties of life are not thrown into abeyance by these daily and healthful drives, nor is it any evidence of a vicious "fastness" in a man that he is seen dashing through Lafayette street, even with fast horses, in a gay and stylish turn-out. A considerable proportion of the active business of Detroit is connected with the commerce of the lakes, and winter is, therefore, a season of comparative relaxe. After navigation is closed, and the business of the past season is settled up, there is, before preparations for the next season are begun, a period of relaxation, a portion of which is not unwisely spent with families and friends in their daily social drives. Although your climate precludes much sleighing, it might be no detriment to Pittsburgh, were some what more of the recreative element, in as healthful and social a form as this, infused into the life of her famous business men. Perhaps her *projected* parks, splendid in imagination, and anticipated with a pleasure that lack only the ingredients of hope, may yet afford rides, drives and walks, where toilers of all grades may find some relief from weariness of mind and body, and some refreshing of sweet air and social fellowship to fit them the better for the resumption of their labors.

The first day of spring has been the stormiest of the season—not to say *Hibernian* of the winter. The second, when I commenced writing, threatened to be like it, but the clouds have disappeared, the sun is out in full force, the sun is shining brightly and the weather has the look, but not yet the feeling, of genial spring. With ancient Horace, I feel disposed to say,

> "Jam satis terris nivis, &c.,"

and to welcome the gentle zephyrs for those stern, arctic airs that have so long chilled our fingers and reddened the tips of our noses on every out-door exposure. Yours truly,

J. F. M.

CITY MATTERS.

DR. JAMES BLACK.—A Chicago paper announces that Rev. James Black, D. D., Vice President of Jefferson and Washington College, has been elected President of the Iowa State University.

DEATH OF A BANK TELLER.—Mr. Alex. V. Scott, for many years employed as Teller in the Merchants and Manufacturers' Bank, died suddenly at his residence in the Sixth ward, yesterday morning. He was at the bank on Saturday, but on returning home took suddenly ill and grew rapidly worse until he expired.

THE COURTS.

Quarter Sessions—Judge Melton.

Business was "dull" in this Court yesterday. The "Allegheny riot case" was fixed for trial, but the counsel for the defendants succeeded in getting a postponement for the present, in consequence of the absence of material witnesses.

The surety case of Burkhardt vs. Barbara Millbaugh, *alias* Mrs. Mooney and Mrs. Hester Moss, was heard, and the defendants ordered to pay the costs.

WIFE DESERTION.

The next case called was that of the Commonwealth vs. Frank Musgrave, charged with having deserted his wife, and refusing to contribute to her support. Mrs. Musgrave was examined and testified that her husband had not found her a place to board or keep house, and was not contributing anything to her support. She said she had no confidence in his promises, and would desire something more binding than his word before she would rely on him with any degree of confidence. Mr. Musgrave, the husband, stated that he was willing to do all in his power to support his wife, provided that she could consent to live with him and do her part, and intimated that her father stood in the way of their peace and happiness. He said he was a tobacconist, and could make nine dollars a week, but was unable to work steadily at the business, owing to bad health. The Court held the case under advisement, in order to give the parties an opportunity to reconcile their differences.

MOTION TO QUASH.

William Moore, Thomas Devine, Thomas W. Ellis, George Kirkpatrick and Jacob Mink, were charged before a magistrate with having broken in the door of Barbara Brawdy, and with smashing her furniture. The Deputy District Attorney, in drawing the bill, charged two counts in the indictment—first, riot; and second, malicious mischief. Messrs. Brown and Moreland, counsel for defendants, moved to quash the indictment for the reason that the first count (riot) was not included in the information. District Attorney Duff resisted the motion, and each party cited a case *pro* and *con* on the point at issue. The Court reserved its decision until the law could be examined.

There being no cases ready for trial, the Court adjourned until this morning at ten o'clock.

Common Pleas—Judge Sterritt.

In the case of James McK. Pierce vs. Thomas A. Carnahan, which was submitted to a jury, a verdict was rendered for the defendant, and a balance certified in his favor amounting to $72 27.

There being no cases ready for trial, the Court adjourned at an early hour.

The following is the trial list for to-day:

DECEMBER LIST.

No. 123. Linsler, for use, vs. Young.
No. 124. Wallace vs. same.
No. 126. McAleer, for use vs. Duncan, Stewart & Co.

OCTOBER LIST.

No. 70. Edward McGinnis vs. Robt. Douglass.

JANUARY LIST.

No. 3. Duck Creek Valley Oil Co. vs. Knap.
No. 5. Dimey vs. Allen.
No. 14. John A. Pitcairn vs. Robinson.
No. 15. McCullough vs. Harper, Gutliman & Co.
No. 19. Underhill vs. Taylor.
No. 21. Root vs. Faulk.
No. 23. Coleman vs. Schaub, McDonald & Co.
No. 25. Farley vs. McMahon.

District Court—Judge Hampton.

The first case called was that of N. Pugh vs. M. H. Conway, being a feigned issue to try the ownership of a quantity of lumber seized upon by the Sheriff. On trial.

In the case of McSteen & Co., for use, vs. James Benny, *Jr.*, defendant confessed judgment in favor of plaintiffs for $1,295.23.

The following cases comprise the trial list for to-day.

65. Hall vs. Pennsylvania Insurance Co.
117. Weir & Steel vs. Moore & Wilson.

U. S. District Court—Judge McCandless.

In the Bankruptcy branch of this Court yesterday, the following business was transacted:

The petitions as bankrupts were granted to Wm. L. Hebenstein, of Northumberland county, and James R. Caldwell, of Northumberland county, and certificates to that effect awarded.

Petitions for final discharge were presented by James A. Sheerer, of Luzerne county, Edwin R. Shepard, Scranton; Benjamin F. Haines, of Luzerne county, and the usual orders made by Court.

A voluntary petition for adjudication in bankruptcy was filed by Isaac N. Gregory, of Luzerne county.

In the District Court a rule was adopted directing that hereafter where a Marshal takes charge of a distillery by process issued for violation of the revenue laws, he shall cause the head of the still to be taken off and the machinery disconnected in such a manner as to render it impossible for distillation to be carried on. It was also directed that such proceedings shall at all times be open to the admission of any Internal Revenue officer who would be entitled to admission if the same were not in custody of the Marshal.

EXTRAORDINARY ENTERPRISE.—The Janitor of the Court House was engaged yesterday in removing the ice and ashes from the steps leading to the "Tem

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CODE OF MEDICAL ETHICS.

dress Delivered Before the Allegheny ounty Medical Society, February 25th, ses, by the Retiring President, Robert Nowry, M. D.

(Published by request of the society.)

President and Gentlemen:

obedience to a requisition of our constitu- I appear before you this evening. It is intention to make a few remarks on the essity of a PROPER CODE OF MEDICAL ETH- and the great advantages of its strict ob- vance. By this ready compliance I hope to ve my willingness to obey the legitimate ndates of this society; to do so at all times performing every duty, however difficult it y prove, so that I may do my part, and be ne what instrumental in promoting its inter- e and furthering its prosperity.

entlemen, I am firmly persuaded that the sperity and success of the medical profes- n of Allegheny county, as of everywhere, pends upon a properly conducted organiza- n; that organization lies at the foundation of our prosperity and hope of advancement, t only of the profession as a body, the eleva- n of its tone, its respectability and influence the community, but as a consequence, the vancement and prosperity of each individual mber. Every one of us has a personal inter- in maintaining the respectability and fur- ring the usefulness and prosperity of this sociation, especially the younger members, o have before them a long career of profes- nal usefulness.

The observance of a code of strict medical ics, both in its letter and spirit, is the found- on upon which all medical associations can nd, and be maintained, with any degree of ace and pleasure. Among the very first ies, which presented itself to the minds of ose noble spirits in our profession, who met the city of New York on the 5th day of May, 6, to form the commencement of the Ameri- n Medical Association, was to appoint a com- tee to report a code of ethics. The result of labors of that committee, composed of seven inent members of our profession, was the sent code to which we all profess to give our egiance.

Why is it necessary to have an extensive sys- n of rules, to govern us in our professional ercourse with each other, with our patients d with the community in which we live? ie answer to this question would afford a long quisition on moral science, and the history medicine, provided we had the time, and limation to examine it fully. It will only be cessary for our present purpose, to pick up re and there a few prominent points.

As far as I am informed, there had not been ything formally written on this important ct of our profession, Dr. Percival, in 1803, blished his book, entitled "Medical Ethics, or code of institutes and precepts adapted to e professional conduct of Physicians and rgeons." The code, adopted by the various cieties in the United States, from time to me, are said to have been taken from Dr. Perci- l's precepts, and that the very phrases of this ter were preserved to a considerable extent all of them. The committee who framed present code, acknowledging their indebted- ss to him, says: "Believing that language, ich had been so often examined and adopted, ust possess the greatest merit, and that in pre- ring this code they have followed a similar urse, and have carefully preserved the words Dr. Percival, wherever they convey the pre- pts it is wished to inculcate." Although ntral's code was the first formal presenta- n of precepts to govern professional conduct, is not to be supposed that, anterior to his me, medical men were allowed to pursue a areless course of piracy; there was an unwrit- n code of traditional ethics.

The great lights in the profession, dotted all ong its history, had been living, walking ex- mplifications of correct professional conduct; d their influence in ethics was as binding on r professional moral conduct of the physi- an, as their dictatorial teaching, is practising e art of medicine. The *ipse is magistri*" of ose days were like the laws of the Medes and ersians.

Hippirates himself, the father of scientific edicine, is said to have been "a model of ral conduct in his professional life; that a nse of ethical obligations rose superior in his nd to considerations of personal advance- nt; that the duties of a physician were more beautifully exemplified than in the con- ct of Hippocrates; nor more eloquently de- ribed than in his writings." A long list of ible worthies, who were examples of excellent ral professional conduct might be cited, from ippocrates up to our own Rush, whose writ- gs on moral subjects, afford abundant ma- rial from which to form an extensive system ethics, and which have been liberally made e of in the formation of our present excellent de.

But the question recurs, why is it necessary have an elaborate system of rules to govern r moral men in their professional conduct, hilst all other classes of society are referred the decalogue?

While it is true that these kinds of knavery low cunning are worked to their fullest ent by nostrum venders and irregular prac- oners of all kinds, is it not also true that if regular profession were entirely free from semblance of such low cunning? If the code ethics were strictly and honestly observed, is letter and spirit, by every one within the e of the medical profession, those outside ndreds would be shorn of all their power s and their cunning and trickery of all their ver. Then we would have broad lines of narbation between the scientific gentleman the mere pretender.

lasting debt of gratitude is due those mbers of our profession, who by lent industry and much persevc- ce, effected an organization of great the profession throughout the whole length breadth of our land. Gratitude is due to m, if for nothing else, for producing and ablishing our admirable code of ethics to be d, this barrier which has surrounded the pro- ion, and marks the distinction between the h-minded scientific physician, and the mis- ble impostor.

Professor Geo. B. Wood, in an address before ic American Medical Association in 1850, s: "I need not say to you that this code is nly an expression of the great principles of h, justice and honor, in their application to relations of physicians to one another, their ients and the public. It is the voice of wis- m and experience speaking from the past, l meets a ready response in the breast of ry man possessed of a good heart, a sound gment, and correct moral principles."

Professor S. D. Gross, in his report on medi- cal ethics to the American Medical Association at Cincinnati, last years, says:

"Medical ethics should claim the special at- tion of the colleges. No young man should be mitted to leave the halls of his Alma Mater, a thorough knowledge of the principles of ich should regulate his conduct in his inter- rse with the professional brethren, his pa- nts, and those persons with whom he may brought in contact in the sick room. For want of such knowledge many a young ician is seriously damaged, if not perma- ntly ruined on the very threshold of his pro- ional life."

What more can I add, in order to enforce the t propriety of a rigid adherence to all the cles of our excellent code of ethics? Need I tell you that, in our professional vocation, we are mutually dependent on each other's con- sciences and kind assistance more so than any other class of society?

A merchant pursues his traffic, and gets gain from his merchandise; although he may be at dagger's point with all his fellows, his business is to make money. It is the great object and end of all his efforts. So it might be said of almost all employments in life, except of the two learned professions of which ours is one. The physician's object ought to be far above mere pecuniary considerations. "Self interest is the worst of all models for a medical practitioner, and it is a vice from which our profession may proudly claim exemption." Our occupation has a tendency to make us thus exempt; we are constantly witnessing the frail- ties of humanity. Men and women of the high- est social scale, on a sick bed, have the same hopes and fears as those of low degree. We are oftentimes mixed up with the greatest troubles of all classes of society; we are con- stantly dealing with the difficult problems of disease. We are, indeed, the arbiters of life and death.

How often are we placed in the most trying circumstances; and when trouble and anguish are all around us, when one is, as it were, at his wits' end, what a relief it is to have the counsel and assistance of a professional brother. And when we are sure that he comes feeling impressed with the re- sponsibility of his calling, governed by the pure and highly honorable principles so well expressed in our code of ethics; how much greater is the relief to our over taxed feelings of responsibility, and how much greater the prospect that our patient will be benefited by the friendly consultation.

Is there any more pitiable object on the face of the whole earth than the practitioner of medicine, entirely isolated from his professional brethren?

Is there any more contemptible object than the outlawed despiser of medical ethics, who is a wanderer and a vagabond in the medical world? "I would rather be a dog and bay the moon" with midnight howlings, than practice medicine in any other way than in accordance with the pure, moral principles so well ex- pressed in our admirable *Code of Ethics*.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

—The Lebanon, Pa., *Courier* has encouraging information in regard to the railroad to Pine- grove, and expects to see Lebanon in direct communication with the coal region in about a year.

—The Lafayette *Courier* publishes a rumor that the through travel between Cincinnati and Chicago will be brought back before long from the White Water Valley Road to the main line of the Lafayette Road, the new arrangement not having worked well.

—An Indianapolis correspondent says: It is stated that the proposed lease of the Bellefon- taine Railroad to the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Railroad, at the recent election, al- though accepted by a large former was rejected by the latter road. It is further stated that the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad has recently been after the Bellefontaine, which has had the effect of stirring up the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Company, to another effort; that the stockholders now look upon it in a more favorable light, and think the lease or consolidation as it was first contemplated, will probably be ratified within a month.

—The annual election of directors and offi- cers of the Central Ohio Railroad Company, took place at the Company's office, in Zanes- ville, on Wednesday, when the following gen- tlemen were re-elected as Directors for the ensuing year: Hugh J. Jewett, Joseph R. Swan, Wm. Dennison, Walter B. Brooks, John H. Heaton, Daniel Applegate, John King, Jr., Joseph H. Sleman, Joseph W. Jenkins, James Harvey, Simon Gebhart, Wm. H. Clement, Joseph B. Ford. A meeting of the Directors was subsequently held, when the following officers were re-elected: Hon. Hugh J. Jewett, Treasurer. Daniel Applegate, Esq., Secretary. Wm. Wing, Esq. At the election there was nearly $2,200,000 of the capital stock of the company represented, there being 43,993 votes cast.

—From New York *via* Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, to Cheyenne, at the base of the Rocky Mountains, a distance of 1,917 miles, but three changes of cars are made, and five companies control the whole distance. Be- tween New York and New Orleans, 1,500 miles, there are ten different roads, while between New York and Charleston, only 788 miles, there are also ten.

—The Baltimore *Commercial*, in referring to the measure lately before Baltimore Councils, to aid the Connellsville Railroad, says: "We are glad to note the spirit manifested in relation to this great public enterprise by the enlightened members of the First Branch of the City Coun- cils, the ordinance retiring the first mortgage in accordance with the legal opinions of the distinguished counsel, Messrs. Latrobe and Beverly Johnson, having been passed by the large majority of fifteen votes, a single nega- tive only having been recorded. We are sure gladde to note this, because every day develops some new and weighty reason why the city should do all in its power to favor the enterprise in question, the latest being a declaration from the Bedford *Inquirer*, that that town and section of Penn- sylvania is now looking to the Connellsville road and to the city of Baltimore for means of its commercial relief *via* the seaboard. In- deed, there is a call by the paper referred to for a meeting of citizens to take steps to build a road from Bedford to Bridgeport, twenty miles, on the line of the Baltimore and Connellsville Railroad, Philadelphia having quite failed them, and driving them to the necessity of looking to the next best chance that presents itself."

—The Detroit *Tribune*, of the 4th inst., learns that arrangements are completed by which the Michigan Central Railroad Company substantially guarantee the bonds of the Grand River Valley Railroad Company, whose road will extend from Jackson to Grand Rapids, and through the center of the counties of Eaton and Barry, about midway between the Detroit and Milwaukee and Central roads. The road will probably be completed to Grand Rapids this year.

OHIO NEWS.

A Salem correspondent writes the Commercial that the paragraph in our Mansfield special of Friday, relative to the prevalence of small pox in the former place, is untrue. He says there has been but one case of the disease in Salem, and that has recovered.

Wm. Nichols's clothing store in New Phila- delphia was destroyed by fire last Monday evening. Loss five thousand dollars; insured for three thousand in the Enterprise, Cincin- nati.

The Methodists of Painesville are about to erect a handsome brick church, capable of seat- ting one thousand people. The seats are to be free.

There are now one thousand and sixty-three convicts in the Ohio Penitentiary—the greatest number that has ever been confined there at one time.

Massillon, according to the late enumeration, contains 5,962 souls. The city of Massillon, to be, will have a population of 7,584. The cer- tificate of number of inhabitants and request for charter as city of second class will be pre- sented to the Governor in a few days.

Mr. Rollin Van Amburg, of Leesburg, Ohio, has constructed a self-feeding nail machine. The patent requires but one man for four or five machines, while those now in use each re- quire a hand.

On Saturday night, February 29, a colored burglar was shot and killed at the Western Female Seminary, Oxford. In consequence of frequent depredations, a watch had been set which led to the discovery of the thief, and in his attempt to escape he met the fate above mention. To avert discovery, the poor wretch had fastened charms within his clothing, but they proved ineffectual.

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The contents of BRYANT'S GROCERY, 154 Federal street, Allegheny, will be sold on WED- NESDAY, March 11, at 10 o'clock.

A LEGGATE, Auctioneer.

SMALL HOUSE AND LOTS,

Woods' Run, M'Clure Township.

AT AUCTION.

Will be sold by order of the Assignees of Long- head & Hare, on TUESDAY, March 10th, at 2 o'clock, on the premises, that Lot of ground at Woods' Run, McClure township, on Beaver road, near new Presbyterian Church, known as Lot No. 1 in Mitchell & Lecky's plan, being 172 100 feet, on which is erected a small House of Three Rooms. Also, that Lot on the road leading up Woods' Run, being part of Lot No. 29 in Lecky's plan, 24 feet by 162 feet.

Terms—one third cash; balance in six months.

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ORPHANS' COURT SALE—SPLEN- DID MANSION AND GROUNDS.—On TUES- DAY, March 10, 1868, at 1 o'clock P. M., will be sold at Auction, by order of Orphans' Court, an Outlot on the Eastern border of the Borough of Reading, containing almost TEN ACRES, about one half is a beautiful grove, the residue well im- proved and planted with Apple and Peach Trees, and a variety of small Fruits and Shrubbery. The improvements comprise a fine two story BRICK MANSION HOUSE, with Four Rooms on each floor, extensive of Kitchen, Wash-house and Coal House, and a good Well and Cistern at the door.

The location is one of the most picturesque and beautiful in Beaver county, commanding a fine view of the Ohio and Beaver rivers, and of the several villages that situate on their banks. The place is also extremely eligible with reference to Schools, Churches, Railroad Stations, &c. Probably no place in the market combines so many conve- niences and attractions suited to a gentleman that desires to fill a residence in part with some time re- cluded from the noise and din of business and quietly enjoy the comforts of a country life. This prop- erty was the homestead of Charles Stone, Esq., late of Beaver. Terms, which will be easy, made known at time of sale. Persons visiting the Estate will be attended to and all questions answered by Captain D. R. STONE, Executor of the Estate of Charles Stone, residing on adjoining lot.

STOCK SALES.

VALUABLE STOCKS—BANK, IN- SURANCE AND MONONGAHELA NAVI- GATION.—TUESDAY EVENING, March 10, at 7½ o'clock, at the Second Floor of Commer- cial Sales Rooms, 106 Smithfield street,

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BUSINESS CHANGES.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNER- SHIP.—The late firm heretofore existing and doing business under the style and name of

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Doing business in Sand, Gravel, Dredging and General Contracting of Paving and Grading, have this day mutually dissolved. All persons indebted to said late firm are requested to make payment to the said late partners, J. KELLER, being authorized to settle all the business contracted with the old firm, will be found at his residence corner of Joseph and Sydney streets, East Birmingham.

D. C. WILLIAMS, JOS. KELLER.

N. J. KELLER, THE SENIOR member of the late firm of KELLER, WIL- LIAMS & CO., will continue the business of Jos- bbing and Contracting in Sand, Gravel and Dredging, Contracting of Paving and Grading. He can be found at his dwelling house, corner of Joseph and Sydney streets, East Birmingham. Also, he is now with S. E. Patterson & Co., No. 21 Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, for the sale of Sand and Gravel, by the boat or cargo. Orders left at either of the above places, or at the office of the Pittsburgh Dredging Co., on Liberty street, will receive prompt attention.

N. J. KELLER.

DISSOLUTION—THE PARTNER- SHIP heretofore existing between the under- signed under the firm name and style of FRY & SCOTT is this day dissolved by mutual consent. HENRY C. FRY is authorized to settle the affairs of the late firm.

HENRY C. FRY, (Gen. Partners.
WM. SCOTT, (Gen. Partners.
DAVID M. LONG, Special Partner.

Pittsburgh, March 3, 1868.

COPARTNERSHIP—THE UNDER- SIGNED have formed a copartnership under the firm name and style of FRY, SEMPLE & REY- NOLDS, dating from February 1st, 1868.

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Moon, Allegheny county, Pa., has this day been dis- solved by mutual consent. The business to be con- tinued by THOMAS ADAMS, and all persons know- ing themselves indebted to the old firm will please call and settle.

February 8, 1868. d*

NOTICE.

WM. METCALF, formerly of CHAS. KNAP NEPHEWS, is a member of our Firm, to date from January 1st, 1868, SAM'L. DUFF retiring. Style of firm same as before.

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The Water Committee of Councils of the City of Pittsburgh invite proposals for furnishing the Water Works with supplies and material for one year, commencing April 1, 1868, as follows, viz:

COAL.

For furnishing the Lower Works with an ample supply of good merchantable coal, to be delivered in the engine house of the Works, of Penn street. It will also specify amount of nut coal that can be fur- nished, if required, and the charge for same. All coal required at the Upper Works to be delivered in en- gine house, Bedford avenue. Good screened coal required and all coal delivered to be weighed on scales erected at the respective works.

PIPE.

All the pipes, branches and sleeves, needed in the repair and extension of water mains. Bids will be received for 9 or 12 feet lengths, all to be made of best material and thoroughly tested.

MISCELLANEOUS CASTINGS.

All the miscellaneous castings required for repairs and extensions during the year.

FIRE PLUGS AND STOP COCKS.

All the fire plugs and stop cocks required during the year, including any alterations and repairs of work now in use of that character, and any needed in new extensions.

The pipe, castings, plug and stop cocks which may be required for new extensions to be laid along the line of work, as may be directed by the Superin- tendent, free of charge for same.

REPAIRS OF BASIN WALL.

For repairing basin wall adjoining upper engine house, to be in part results, furnishing any new stone and coping required. Also, for removing and hauling away any surplus material in such repair.

The Water Committee reserve the right to reject any or all bids. Payments made monthly.

Proposals must be in writing, and indorsed "Pro- posals for Coal," or as the case may be, and delivered at the office of the Water Committee, West Mar- ket Building, before 7 o'clock P. M. of the 16th inst. and 16th inst.

JOSEPH FRENCH, Superintendent.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, } Pittsburgh, March 6th, 1868. }

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at THIS OFFICE, West Market Building, until SATUR- DAY, March 14th, 1868, for grading a Macad- amized Footway, two and a half (2½) feet wide, on the road leading from the Braddock's Field Road, at Harrison's station, to the Second Ward Public School. For specifications and plans inquire at this office.

H. J. MOORE, City Engineer.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, } Pittsburgh, March 6, 1868. }

NOTICE TO PAINTERS.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at THIS OFFICE, West Market building, until TUESDAY, March 17th, 1868, for painting the Bridges and Fen- der Boards, at the corners of all streets in the Third, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth wards. For in- formation as to size of Bridges, apply to this office.

H. J. MOORE, City Engineer.

BANKRUPTCY.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

In the matter of JOHN MONG, Bankrupt, No. 386 in Bankruptcy.

Western District of Pennsylvania, ss: At the City of Pittsburgh, the 24th day of February, A. D. 1868. To whom it may concern. The under- signed hereby gives notice of his appointment as the assignee of JOHN MCCLUNG, of Pittsburgh, in the county of Allegheny, and State of Pennsylvania, within said District, who has been adjudged a Bank- rupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said District.

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Wintering in Florida.

A correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune*, February 25, writes of a trip up the St. Johns river, as follows: Most of the trees are in leaf, but the verdure is less vivid than we might have anticipated. The flowers of the live and water oaks are plentiful enough, but their hue is dark and sombre, and their limbs are so veiled with tresses of long gray moss, that they seem as fit for winter as for summer. Often a white oak, a Spanish oak, a walnut, a red maple, an ash stands cold and leafless on the bank, and in the lower grounds whole groves of cypress lift their tall white trunks and bare white branches towards the sky, looking like ghosts in the moonlight. Occasionally a large magnolia with its gorgeous leaves which almost dazzle the eyes, stands by the red bay, a less conspicuous tree of the magnolia family, imparting something of a tropical air to the scene. The sweet gum trees are numerous, but they remind us of autumn, for their leaves are few and dyed with crimson and purple. The undergrowth is chiefly of the wild oak, which bears an abundance of leaves which are green. It is true, but so hard and dry and lustreless that they seem dead and withered. Where we catch a glimpse of the open ground, we see either bare earth or a thin growth of half dead grass and tall dead weeds, crowned with withered leaves. We turn a point and make towards a house surrounded by an orange grove. Here summer bursts upon us in all its warmth and wealth. Leaves and fruit glow as if the sun were hidden in them. The one is the fitting setting for the fruit, and you wonder which is most beautiful. At almost every house on the banks we see these orange groves, and they are the chief attraction of the landscape.

If you have watched closely you have seen many small fields laid out in beds, and marked by stumps two or three inches in diameter and as many feet high, about twenty feet apart, all over the field. These stumps are orange trees which have just been transplanted from the wild groves. They have been sawed off to be grafted, for the wild orange is sour, with a bitter skin. It is very refreshing to a thirsty man to drink the juice, and it makes a good lemonade. But it is too sour to eat, though not so acid as a lemon.

Many of these young orange groves are also market gardens. On one island you may see twenty-five acres of tomatoes already set out in the open air, but there are few gardens so large, and most of them are planted with many different vegetables. Here is a field of ten acres planted with Irish potatoes. The owner hopes to raise two hundred bushels per acre, send them to New York in May, and get ever so much more dollars a bushel for them. Ten times two hundred times ever so many will make quite a pretty fortune for four months' work on the ground that is worth a hundred dollars.

Finally we reach Palatka, some hundred miles from the river's mouth, and our ocean steamer can go no farther. While waiting for the river boat we can look around us. There is no prettier spot on the river. The bank is high and beautifully wooded. The comfort through a forest of magnolias; we have not found them common hitherto. These trees, which are bare of leaves, have great green bunches of mistletoe growing in their branches. Beyond the village the ground rises so that it might be called a hill. There are many neat houses and many new ones, for Palatka has grown chiefly since the war. If you go to the Putnam Hotel you will find a kitchen garden from which ripe tomatoes, green peas, fresh lettuce, and radishes are gathered for the table. The pea vines and tomato plants are almost up to your shoulders. Hollys and sweet myrtle grow upon the banks, intermingled with honeysuckles covered with large yellow and white flowers. It is full of life and activity here. As the head of ship navigation it is an important point. Here, too, is the starting point of the steamers which ascend the Ocklawaha. There is a picturesque triumness about the dooryards and fields which are rare in Florida. There are many large market gardens here, everyone who has half an acre of land is setting out orange trees. Just across the river is the finest orange grove and grounds in the State. It contains six hundred trees. Many Northern men are here engaged in planting fruit and vegetables.

The Pimas.

A correspondent writing from Arizona, gives the following account of the Pima Indians:

On the 16th, we struck the Gila River, and entered the Pima reservation, on which dwell the Indians after which it is called. The Pimas have always been friendly to the white man; and it is a matter of pride with them to say that they have been so. They are semi-civilized. Their houses or rather huts are built of straw and mud. They are dome shaped, and have no windows, but only a hole large enough for them to crawl through. Their villages extend along the banks of the Gila for many miles. They have farms on which they raise grains and vegetables. Aside from their ponies, I noticed very little stock, unless a large number of vicious looking dogs be counted in. The women dress from the waist down, and the men from the waist up—that is to say, the women wear a kind of loose skirt, and the men a very short shirt. As for the children, they are innocent of clothing of any kind.

The women are literally slaves to the men. They are hewers of wood and carriers of water. We saw one of them with a large basket containing a dozen pumpkins, on her back, while beside her walked her lord and master with one under his arm about as large as a peck measure. Another one we saw walking with a huge basket of provisions on her head, while behind her rode Mr. Lo on his horse. Such is Indian gallantry. If any of the fair admirers of the Lo family in the States desire to unite with a warrior for better or worse, they may know what to expect if they happen to see these lines. As for beauty, there is none at all in among the Indian women. Every squaw I have seen is homely to the last degree. In some respects they outdo their pale-faced sisters,—in the matter of painting their faces for instance. A "dark-eyed maiden" had her face painted with vermillion. Under her eyes and extending across her temples was drawn a blue line, which gave a strange appearance to her eyes. From the corners of her mouth down to and under the chin, was blue lines also. She was bedecked with beads and stripes of fancy colored cloth, which, while it looked flashy, completely destroyed all harmony of color. Her figure was good and her movements graceful. These were the only noticeable qualities she had—at least, to my view.

The men are not one whit behind the women in the matter of dress. They choose the brightest colors. A red flannel shirt pleases them better than anything else. They paint and tatteo their faces and bodies. Some of them are employed by the government as scouts. Those I saw had their faces painted black and their chins red. The significance of these colors is obvious.

Signs in France.

Private letters from Paris, added to the concurrent observations of intelligent observers in that city, seem to establish the fact that the condition of French society is nearly analogous to that which heretofore has always preceded a revolution. The people are represented as becoming equally disgusted with the home and foreign policy of the Emperor. They feel that the second Empire has not fulfilled its promise. It promised peace, remission of taxation, and security. But these pledges are far from having been realized. In place of peace, there have been the Italian and Crimean wars, Mexican and Roman and Mexican expeditions, and an enormously increased standing army and conscription law that render peace scarcely less burdensome than war. For the promised reductions of taxation, an increase has been levied on the principal articles of production and consumption that is capable of yielding a revenue; while the national debt has been more than doubled and trebled. As for security there is an army of police spies and an all-pervading espionage that permits no person to escape its jealous watch. But there is a prejudice of classes that threatens the most serious consequences. At no period since the first revolution have the lines of demarcation between rich and poor, the privileged few and the unprivileged many, been more clearly drawn. There is no liberty of speech or thought allowed to the most humble subject of the imperial people in the world. No Frenchman is allowed the privilege of being anything but a passive subject of the Emperor. Even universal suffrage is dwarfed down to the questionable boon of voting, between priests and gendarmes, for the candidates nominated by the Imperial prefects.—*New York Commercial.*

CITY MATTERS.

MEETING OF COUNCILS.—An adjourned meeting of City Councils will be held this afternoon, commencing at two o'clock.

CITY COUNCILS.—An adjourned meeting of the Select and Common Councils of this city will be held in their respective chambers, in City building, this afternoon at two o'clock.

PROCESS LODGED.—A process for larceny as bailee was lodged yesterday against George Fox, who is in jail awaiting trial on a similar charge.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.—A man named John Smith, employed at the coal works of Messrs. Kier, Foster & Kier, near Sandy Creek, was very severely injured a few days since by a heavy mass of slate falling on him. He was seriously injured internally, and was not able to be removed home until Saturday.

DUPLEX SKIRTS.—The attention of our readers is directed to the advertisement of J. W. Bradley's patent Duplex Skirts. Dealers will find it to their advantage to negotiate with the manufacturers, as they are the only ones manufactured and sold at greatly reduced prices, which will make them popular with the million.

THE QUARTERLY REVIEW.—Major Wm. M. Steep, of Washington, Pa., the proprietor of the *Quarterly Review*, is at present in the city soliciting advertisements for the April number of his publication. The *Review* is published in Philadelphia, and has an extended circulation in this and adjoining States.

ROBBED HIS MOTHER.—A young lad named James Broderick, disappeared from his home on the corner of Washington and Bedford streets, on Saturday, after having robbed his mother of $330. Search was made for him yesterday, but it is supposed from information received that he is now in Chicago. An effort will be made by the police to capture him.

ANOTHER BURGLARY.—The grocery store of Mr. Michael Welsh, on Wayne street, below Fayette, was burglariously entered Sunday morning, and one hundred and fifty dollars and a gold watch carried away from a room in the rear occupied by Mr. Welsh as a sleeping apartment. Mr. Welsh was in bed at the time the burglary was committed, and the rascals worked so silently as not to disturb him.

LADIES' TRACT SOCIETY OF ALLEGHENY.

Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting—Election of Officers and Managers—Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Ladies' Tract Society of Allegheny City was held yesterday afternoon in the First Presbyterian Church (Rev. E. E. Swift's). Rev. John T. Pressly, D. D., was called upon to preside, and J. E. Cellers, Esq., acted as Secretary.

Upon the conclusion of the preparatory religious exercises, the new constitution and bylaws of the Society were read by the Secretary and approved.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The annual report of the Secretary, Mrs. Robert S. Hays, was then read as follows:

Another year has ended, and as we review its record we recognize such continued blessings from the Lord our master as call for devout acknowledgment of his loving kindness and that fulness for his mercies. Although He has not been pleased to do for us all we desired and hoped for, yet He has permitted us to continue our efforts, and so led and blessed us that prosperity and progress have crowned the labors of the year.

The subject of Home Evangelization is constantly before us; the Church is awaking to her responsibility to those without, and Christian activities warm into new life as they discuss and ponder and plan "how to bring the masses under Gospel influence." It is a subject of vital importance to the church and nation, vast and interesting, and every department of Christian effort needs to task its best energies in its behalf.

This Society is especially adapted to aid in this work. "Its object is to promote evangelical religion by the circulation of tracts, by conversation and prayer." The visitation is made monthly; the visitors duly is to search out every family; persuade them to read the Bible and attend church; bring the children into Sabbath School, and do them good as they find opportunity.

It maintains a strictly evangelical and catholic basis, and Christian women, of various branches of Christ's family, here mingle their prayers and unite their labors for the fulfillment of our daily petition, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven."

In this way, plain gospel truth, in an attractive form, is carried to hundreds of families, who have no Christian influences around them, who hear neither exhortation nor warning, and would not be reached by any other means.

Many, very many, too, are the sorrowing, tempted ones—the widow and the orphan, and poor—some of them God's children—who are comforted and cheered; helped to bear their weary burden, by the kindly words and Christian counsel of the Tract Visitor.

We have known a home which the Visitor often left with heaviness of heart; for worldly comforts were few; the Bible was a sealed book; Christ was not there and all was dark. But now, the father, four score and ten years, entertained the visitor with comfort through a staffing of sugar maple; and the middle aged matron has been taught to read the Scriptures; has believed that Jesus came into the world to save sinners, and made profession of her faith in an Evangelical church, there is light in the dwelling; it is comfortable and happy home, for Christ is there. If we know no more than this, the labor and means and time devoted to this cause for twenty-four years, have not been lost, for a soul is saved, whose praise will be sung in the new world.

During the year 35,500 Tracts and 21,050 *Messengers* in the English language; 21,150 Tracts and 8,850 *Messengers* in the German language have been circulated. 150 children have been gathered into the Sabbath School; 200 Bibles given from the Ladies' Bible Society, and numbers of sick and destitute been relieved on application to the Ladies' Relief Association.

The Society has monthly distributed 5,000 English Tracts and 2,650 *Messengers*, also, 1,500 Tracts and 600 *Messengers* in the German language; 95 voluntary visitors are engaged in this work. Some can tell what blessings may be gathered from this scattering of good seed among so many households. No eye but the Omniscient One can follow these thousands of gospel calls, no mind but the Infinite One can sum up the results. To His oversight and gracious remembrance do we commit the work, and this people commend the continuance and expansion of this distribution for the year to come. We would especially interest Christian women in this cause, and urge them to consider their personal responsibility to the neglected and careless in our midst. The field is large, and our number should be greatly increased, that all the ground may be occupied and more time given to visiting the families. We need faithful, persevering visitors, whose hearts burn with zeal for the Master's cause. And may the love of Christ constrain many to esteem it a privilege to be helpers in this work. We commend our Society to pastors, and invite them to attend our meetings and co-operate in their work. We ask the prayers of all, that the blessing of God may accompany these labors, and the coming year witness the power of God in the conversion of many precious souls to the praise of His holy name.

The report was unanimously adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following report of Miss A. Fleming, Treasurer, was also read and adopted:

1867.	Dr.	
March 11,	Balance in Treasury at last report	$ 60 36
	Monthly collections	112 00
	Subscriptions	13 50
	Donations	15 25
1868.		
February 10,	Collection at annual sermon	16 02
		$216 63

1867.	Cr.	
April 16,	Cash paid for twine	$ 1 50
July 16,	Cash paid for freight and drayage	11 00
July 16,	Cash paid for *Messengers*	21 00
July 23,	Cash paid for tracts	91 00
November 1,	Cash paid for tracts	80 00
November 1,	Cash paid for *Messengers*	27 20
1868.		
February 27,	Cash paid for *Messengers*	1 35
February 27,	Cash paid for tracts	13 00
March 3,	Cash paid for freight and drayage	2 00
March 5,	Cash paid sexton	8 00
	Counterfeit currency	2 00
		$216 63
March 9,	Balance in treasury	$ 16 81
		$16 81

ANNUAL ADDRESSES.

Interesting addresses were then delivered by Rev. S. F. Scovil, of the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Rev. J. G. Gottman, Evangelical Church, Washington street, Allegheny, and by Dr. Pressly, the Chairman.

ELECTION OF MANAGERS.

The following Board of Officers and Managers were then elected to serve for the ensuing year:

OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. F. R. Brunot.
Vice President—Mrs. Nelson.
Secretary—Mrs. R. S. Hays.
Treasurer—Miss A. Fleming.

MANAGERS.

Mrs. M. Bryan,	Mrs. A. M. Bryan,
Mrs. E. C. Cochrane,	Mrs. Ondry,
Mrs. Forrest,	Miss Blackstock,
Miss Whitten,	Mrs. Hoag,
Miss Beck,	Mrs. Ely,
Mrs. Wagner,	Miss Finnon,
Mrs. W. P. Logan,	Miss Phelps,
Mrs. J. Patterson,	Miss A. Patterson,
Mrs. Breading,	Miss S. B. Campbell,
Mrs. Poindexter,	Miss Dupuy.

The benediction was then pronounced by the Chairman, and the meeting adjourned.

Consolidation of Petroleum Firms.

A card in another column will inform the public that the two leading petroleum firms of New York—F. W. Devoe & Co. and Charles Pratt—have united their business interests. The new firm entertained their friends at the Merchants' Exchange, New York, the other evening, when George W. Devoe, President, made a brief address relative to their business, during which he said:

"By this concentration of energy and capital, with the control of important patent rights for manufacturing small oil cans, we propose to put up a package very much improved and all at a less cost to the consumer than is now given. The immense leakage from wooden barrels on long voyages, the unsatisfactoriness in shipping them by railroad, and wooden packages, will, I feel assured, ere many months have passed away, be entirely done away with. The facility of more oil in tin cans than in barrels. To give you some idea of the business of this people commend the continuance and expansion of this distribution for the year to come. We would especially interest Christian women in this cause, and urge them to consider their personal responsibility to the neglected and careless in our midst. The field is large, and our number should be greatly increased, that all the ground may be occupied and more time given to visiting the families. We need faithful, persevering visitors, whose hearts burn with zeal for the Master's cause. And may the love of Christ constrain many to esteem it a privilege to be helpers in this work. We commend our Society to pastors, and invite them to attend our meetings and co-operate in their work. We ask the prayers of all, that the blessing of God may accompany these labors, and the coming year witness the power of God in the conversion of many precious souls to the praise of His holy name.

The report was unanimously adopted.

THE KNIFE AGAIN.

Stabbing Affray in Allegheny—A Negro Stabbed Five Times by a White Man—Arrest of the Perpetrator.

About nine o'clock yesterday morning a serious affray occurred at the house occupied by a white man named John Johnson, on First street, in the Third ward, Allegheny, during which a colored man named Isaac Johnson was stabbed in five different places, the wounds being inflicted by the former. John Johnson, it appears, is a carter, and the negro, Isaac Johnson, was employed by him as a driver and boarded at his house. From the statements of the negro, it appears that about nine o'clock yesterday morning a colored man called at the house of Johnson to see Isaac. The two went into the kitchen, when a dispute arose between them in regard to a trifling matter. The visitor commenced talking very loud and swearing, when John Johnson, who was lying in bed in an adjoining room, asked Isaac to make less noise. The visitor then left the house, and Isaac, not distinctly understanding what John had called on him for, went into his room. As soon as he entered the room, John jumped out of bed and struck Isaac a blow in the face with his fist. John then ran toward the fire-place, and seizing a large pocket knife, which was lying on the mantle piece with the blade open, ran at Isaac, and stabbed him in several places with it, the blood flowing profusely from the wounds. The wounded man called for assistance, and Officers Stewart and Lynch, of the Mayor's police, happening to be near by, rushed in time to prevent the assailant and the injured man and conveyed them both to the Mayor's office.

Upon the arrival of the colored man at the watch house, he sank to the floor from the loss of blood. Dr. Boal, of Johnson, of Ohio street, was called in to attend the wounded man. He made an examination and found five wounds, which, although very painful, are not of a dangerous character. The most severe one was in the left side, just below the ribs. The blade of the knife, however, had struck the rib, and this circumstance probably saved the man's life. The other wounds were on the left shoulder, left arm, and one in the left breast, about an inch from the nipple, and on the nose, the end of which was nearly severed from his face. The injuries were dressed by the physician, and the wounded man was removed to the house of a friend during the afternoon.

An information for felonious assault and battery has been lodged against John Johnson, the perpetrator of the assault, before Mayor Drum. He was confined in the lock up, where he will be kept for a hearing until Wednesday of next week—the time the injured man will probably be able to appear against him.

The accused, John Johnson, tells quite a different story from that related by the negro. He says that when he called on the negro to stop the noise, Isaac jumped into bed, and picking up a chair commenced assaulting him with it. John says that he struck the negro in self-defense, but denies having used a knife on him, and feels quite ignorance as to the stabbing. The statements of neither can be credited, as there were but three persons in the house at the time of the assault—John and Isaac Johnson, and Mrs. Johnson, John's wife, who was in the kitchen while the affray was going on. The accused is a cripple, and is not regarded as of sound mind.

The reader, upon perusing the above, will observe the singular similarity of the names connected with the affair. The perpetrator of the assault was named Johnson, the injured victim is named Johnson, and the physician attending the injured man is also a Johnson. This is a striking coincidence of names, and it is only made more remarkable as occurring under the administration of Andrew Johnson.

The Late Railroad Accident—Coroner's Investigation Concluded—The Verdict.

The jury empanneled by Coroner Clawson to investigate into the circumstances of the death of the two men, James Cassiday and Henry Green, who were killed by the wrecking of the coal train, near Cork's Run tunnel, on the Pan Handle Railroad, on the 5th inst., reassembled yesterday at the Mayor's office and proceeded with the inquest. The following testimony was elicited:

John Kerr, sworn—Am conductor of the coal train that killed the two men on the Pan Handle Railroad. Don't know when they got on; saw them first at Walker's Mills; they got off at Margaretta at Cork's Run; coupled the engine, car broke and eight or ten cars were thrown off; did not know that the men had got on again; we were going seven or eight miles per hour; the accident occurred at this end of the tunnel; the accident happened between eight and nine o'clock in the morning. The accommodation was about fifteen minutes behind us; the deceased paid no fare; we are allowed the rate of six miles per hour in tunnels; one of the men was alive when we removed him from the wreck.

H. Bollinger, sworn—Am engineer of the No. 31 coal train and No. 26 engine; the conductor signalled me that the train was broken, and I whistled down the brakes, and did not hear it could to keep the couplings stretched and the cars on the track; am satisfied that it was a broken wheel which threw us off, were making scheduled time; we were allowed six miles per hour in tunnels and on trestles, in some other places; passengers quite frequently get on, and if told to get off, insult everybody, and if put off stone the train.

Bernard Benham, sworn—Am fireman. Did not see the men until after the wreck; did not see that anything was wrong with the train until the engineer whistled down brakes.

A. Lytton, sworn—Am brakeman, employed by the railroad company; was on the train when the accident happened; was coupling cars at Mansfield Station, but not after we started; think they were on the third or fourth car from the engine when I saw them; I was on the engine, where I belong when the train is in motion.

Homer Smith, sworn—Am flagman on the coal train; was on the rear car when the accident occurred; at Walker's Mills saw two men on the last car; saw them off at Mansfield, and saw them; no more of them; do not think they were the deceased, but suppose they were.

Wm. Orr, sworn—Am a brakeman for the Pittsburgh Union Canal Company. At the Union Works, near Walker's Mills, I saw two men on the coal train. They came down, and one of them asked a brakeman for a ride; he was refused but I saw them both on after we started; saw them jump off at the water tank at Mansfield, where we backed in for some stock cars, and as we started into the tunnel, I saw I did not see them again until I saw them in the wreck; one of them was covered up to the head, and the other as far as the breast; I was thrown off by the accident, and the men were blown down the hill; they had left the night or ninth dump when I saw them. This morning at the same place where the deceased got on, another man got on the train, and refused to leave when ordered; we have much trouble that way; on going back, after the accident, I found a piece of wheel lying by itself; think the broken wheel caused the accident.

John Kerr, re-called—Did not order the men off the train; did not see them when they got on the train had started; first noticed that anything was wrong at the same place where the piece of a wheel was found; there was ice on the track at the place of the accident, but don't think it caused the accident; it was frozen.

No further testimony was elicited, and the Coroner's jury, after due deliberation, returned the following verdict: "The deceased came to their death on the 5th day of March, 1868, near Cork's Run Tunnel, Chartiers township, on the Pan Handle Railroad, by being crushed in the wreck of coal train No. 21, which train was thrown from the track by the accidental breaking of a wheel."

Real Estate Sales.

The following deeds were admitted of record before H. Snively, Esq., Recorder, March 7th, 1868:

Thomas Dunning to Wm. Dunning, May 18, 1867, lot in Dunning's Pan Dunning farm..... $ 615
David Shawhan to Daniel Williams, 5 acres and 45 perches in Shawhan's plan of building lots, Pittsburgh..... 325
Henry Hartman et al. to Andrew Rankin, July 5, 1865, 34 acres in Scott township, with buildings..... 980
Andrew Rankin to Sarah Scott, March 7, 1868, same lot..... 1,000
John Heller to M. K. Morrical, January 30, 1868, lot 30 feet on Overhill street by 61 feet, with buildings..... 1,000
Isaac Williams to Catharine Weiner, September 26, 1866, lot 24 feet on Line street, Birmingham, by 100 feet deep, with building..... 650
Wm. Brown to C. M. Bailey, March 4, 1868, lot 100,000 gallons of oil; storage in barrels for as much more; a steamboat, ten lighters, three flats, &c., &c. We ask the prayers of all, that the blessing of God may accompany these labors, and the coming year witness the power of God in the conversion of many precious souls to the praise of His holy name.
The report was unanimously adopted.
Augustus Backhaut, February 14, 1868, lot in Liberty township, 24 feet on John street by 71 feet deep..... 7,000
Agnes McGinnis et al. to Same, August 14, 1865, two lots on John street, Pitt township, 65 by 60 feet..... 800
Luther J. Stimple to Matthew Anderson, September 26, 1867, lot in Stimple's plan..... 1,600
Matthew Anderson to Robert Kirkpatrick, March 7, 1868, same lots..... 1,900
Peter Kuhn to Philip Knoll, September 11, 1867, lot on Pitt township road, 16 by 25 feet..... 175

Old Folks Concert.

On next Thursday evening the choir of the Sixth Presbyterian Church, (Rev. Prof. Wilson, D. D., pastor,) assisted by some of the best amateur musical talent in the city, will give a grand "Old Folks Concert" at Masonic Hall, Fifth street, for a very laudable object, which is certainly entitled to the most liberal support. The costumes to be worn on the occasion will be such as prevailed in the good old days—an hundred years ago, and the programme will embrace some of the choicest selections. The great success of the concerts of which this is to be a repetition—at the Sixth Presbyterian church a few evenings ago, is a sufficient guarantee that the affair is in good hands, and all who are so fortunate as to attend will be splendidly entertained. The tickets are fixed at fifty cents each, and can be had at C. C. Mellor's, No. 81 Wood street.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—We are glad to hear of the prosperous condition of this church, and that an unusual religious interest is now prevailing among the congregation. The friends of the Rev. D. J. Yerkes, a former pastor of the church, will be gratified to know that he is expected to be in this city during the present week to assist the pastor in his arduous but bepeful labors. Mr. Yerkes will preach each evening this week at 7½ o'clock.

Public Amusements.

OPERA HOUSE—Mlle. Zoe, the Cuban Sylph, was greeted by a fair audience last evening, and her performance of the "French Spy" gave great satisfaction. She is a very beautiful woman, and possesses not only pantomimic abilities of a high order, but also extraordinary physical strength and ability. Her feats with the sword would be wonderful if executed by a man, and are positively marvelous when the lady's comparatively delicate figure is remembered. The "French Spy" will be performed again this evening.

THE "Champion Banjoist" is certainly the individual who is well known as Bob Ridley, as will be manifest to any one who hears him perform waltzes, schottisches and other popular airs on his favorite instrument. Bob proposes to open a school shortly in Pittsburgh, in which pupils will be taught how to play the banjo.

Ice Gorge at Rich Valley—Inundation at Mansfield.

For several years past the residents on Chartiers Creek, at the vicinity of its mouth, have suffered severely from freshets. On Saturday last the floating ice on the creek gorged a short distance from the village of Mansfield, and as the water was rising rapidly at the time, it soon backed up the stream and inundated a large portion of the bottom grounds. A portion of the new bridge over the creek was washed away, and many of the buildings in the lower part of the village were surrounded with water. On Sunday morning the gorge gave way, and carried with it fences, outhouses, etc. Messrs. John L. Thornburg, Robert Bell, J. Ewing and Wm. Mackin are among the principal sufferers. A stone wall, erected by Mr. Mackin just at the entrance of eight hundred dollars, was completely destroyed. Many of the residents of the locality removed from their dwellings, but upon the receding of the waters they returned to their habitations.

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Dr. Aborn can be consulted from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., at his Medical and Surgical rooms, 134 Smithfield street.

A Dangerous Man.

We notify the public that a person residing in Brooklyn, New York, is practicing a dangerous innovation, and if steps are not taken to stop his career, it will overthrow time-honored principles and institutions. We refer to Dr. Wolcott, who has an office at No. 170 Chatham square, New York, 622 Arch street, Philadelphia, 36 Winter street, Boston, 184 Vine street, Cincinnati, Ohio, and the probability is that he will have a firm footing established in all the principal cities in the United States and elsewhere. At all of the above places he advocates physical pain of any name or nature, free of cost for everybody, with a liquid preparation he calls Pain Paint, applied to the surface of the limbs or body with a brush. Although the remedy appears to be harmless as water, certainly leaves no stain, and people who have had an application say that the sensation produced is delightful, and invigorates them wonderfully, having a most magical manner of taking pain or inflammation instantly; and although it breaks up violent fevers in a few minutes, yet the system he adopts is most damaging to the manufacturers of Pills, Liniments, and various other articles which are now and have been for years largely used for the same purpose. But he supersedes and condemns all these old-established remedies, and insists that Pain Paint drugs fails to reach the cause of disease, and did not see them again until I saw them in the wreck; one of them was covered up to the head, and the other as far as the breast; I was thrown off by the accident, and the men were blown down the hill; they had left the night or ninth dump when I saw them. This morning at the same place where the deceased got on, another man got on the train, and refused to leave when ordered; we have much trouble that way; on going back, after the accident, I found a piece of wheel lying by itself; think the broken wheel caused the accident.

John Kerr, re-called—Did not order the men off the train; did not see them when they got on the train had started; first noticed that anything was wrong at the same place where the piece of a wheel was found; there was ice on the track at the place of the accident, but don't think it caused the accident; it was frozen.

No further testimony was elicited, and the Coroner's jury, after due deliberation, returned the following verdict: "The deceased came to their death on the 5th day of March, 1868, near Cork's Run Tunnel, Chartiers township, on the Pan Handle Railroad, by being crushed in the wreck of coal train No. 21, which train was thrown from the track by the accidental breaking of a wheel."

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

MONDAY EVENING, March 9, 1868.

The local discount market showed symptoms of stringency to-day. There was a good deal of paper offered, and the heavy applications for loans caused the market to assume a closer tone than it has done for sometime back.

—The following statement exhibits the business of the Pittsburgh Clearing House, for the week ending Saturday, March 7th:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Mar. 2	$ 331,020 36	$77,102 69
" 3	276,240 31	52,746 61
" 4	338,417 09	70,042 58
" 5	355,257 67	103,867 93
" 6	267,070 96	55,544 35
" 7	284,016 47	57,745 63
Totals	$1,852,231 84	$416,989 07

—The downward tendency in government bonds appears accelerated by the remarkable increase of sellers and backwardness of purchasers to take hold. The fluctuations in the New York market are shown in the following report from Jay Cooke & Co. to Messrs. Ira B. McVay & Co., of this city:

	Morning.	Noon.	Closing.
6s, '81	111¾	111¾	111¾
5-20s, 1862, coupon	107¾	107¾	107¾
5-20s, 1864, "	105¾	105¾	105¾
5-20s, 1865, "	105¾	105¾	105¾
5-20s, 1865, new	105¾	105¾	105¾
5-20s, 1867, "	105¾	105¾	105¾
10-40s	103¾	103¾	103¾
7-30s, $50 coupons	111	111	111
7-30s, $100 "	105¾	105¾	105¾
Gold	141¼	141¼	141¼

—The variations in gold were light to-day, but at one time the premium sank below 40, but suddenly rallied and closed at 40¼. The extreme rates during the day was 39¾ to 40¾. The tone of the cable news indicating a peaceable settlement of the Alabama claims, and the possibility of a protracted spell in the impeachment case, aselst the bears in depressing the premium.

Messrs. James T. Brady & Co., bankers report the following rates for governments to-day:—Gold, 140¾; U. S. 6s, 1881, 110¾; U. S. 5-20s, 1862, 110¾; do 1864, 107¾; do 1865, 108¾; U. S. 10-40s, 101¼; U. S. 5-20s, January and July, 1865, 106¾; do 1867, 107; June 7-30s, 105¾; July 7-30s, 105¾; May Compounds 1865, 118.

—Our dispatches from the New York Stock Board to-day indicate very heavy fluctuations in the Vanderbilt stocks. Erie and Northwestern common were exceedingly active and touched a higher quotation than at any time for a year past. The closing prices were much lower, however, and indicated a break in the market. This day one week ago Erie sold at 65¾, and to-day it sold up to 83. Northwestern common was down to 62½, and to-day it reached 69. The following table shows by comparison the range of quotations for a week:

	March 2.	(4.)	(5.)	(6.)	(7.)	March 9.
Fort Wayne	86	86	86	86	86	86
Cleveland & Pittsb.	57	57	57	57	57	57
Erie	74	73½	73½	73½	73½	73½
New York Central	92½	92½	92½	92½	92½	92½
Reading	96	96	96	96	96	96
Michigan Southern	80½	80½	80½	80½	80½	80½
Rock Island	93½	93½	93½	93½	93½	93½
Fort Wayne	86	86	86	86	86	86
Cleveland & Pittsburg						
Chicago & Rock Island						
Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago						
Illinois Central						
Chicago & Alton						
Ohio & Mississippi						
Toledo & Wabash						
Michigan Central						
Michigan Southern guaranteed						
Illinois Central leased						
Cleveland & Toledo						
Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati						
Ohio & Mississippi certificates						
New York Central scrip						
Pacific Mail						
Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago guaranteed						
Canton Co.						

—James W. Kennedy has succeeded S. S. Bryan, Esq., in the broker business, at the office lately occupied by him in the Apollo Building, No. 80 Fourth street. Stocks, promissory notes bonds, mortgages, &c., bought and sold. Loans negotiated at low rates on collaterals, such as sound dividend stocks, United States, municipal, State or railroad bonds. Being in direct telegraphic communication with the New York Stock Boards, when in session, he can execute orders for the purchase or sale of railroad stocks, Government securities, gold, &c., at the same rates and terms required by the brokers in that city.

PRODUCE AND GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, } MONDAY EVENING, March 9, 1868. }

The market since our last has undergone no particular change. The demand for produce and all articles of general merchandise continues confined to supplying current wants. Prices remain as last quoted.

The receipts per river and rail since our last were light. We note the following: Flour, 90 bbls; apples, 34 bbls; corn, 500 sacks; barley 15 sacks; rye, 122 sacks; oats, 500 sacks; butter, 23 packages, and bulk meats (loose) 3,300 pieces.

The following prices are the wholesale store prices, unless otherwise noted:

APPLES—Sales were made at $3 50@3 50 ₱ bbl, as to quality and amount of purchase.

BUTTER—Receipts continue light, and with a fair demand prices are firm, at 45@50c ₱ lb, as to quality.

EGGS—Receipts more liberal and we quote at 25@ 28c ₱ dozen.

BACON, LARD, ETC.—The market is steady at 13c for shoulders; 17½c for sugar cured hams; 14c for rib sides; 13½c for clear sides, and 13c for lard.

MESS PORK—We quote at $25 50 ₱ barrel.

LARD OIL—Marketed as usual, and we quote extra No. 1 at $1 30, and No. 2 at 90@$1 00 ₱ gallon.

CHEESE—We quote Ohio factory at 15c; Western Reserve at 16c; Ohio factory at 16c, and Limburger at 17@18c ₱ lb.

HAY—Receipts light. We quote from country wagons loose timothy selling at $16@22 ₱ ton.

ONIONS—Choice Peachblows are selling at $4 25 ₱ bushel.

ONIONS—Market poorly supplied, and demand fair, at $@$4 25 ₱ bushel.

GRAIN—For seed there is a moderate demand from millers at $2 40@2 45 for red winter, and $2 50@2 55 for white wheat. There was more inquiry for oats on account of light receipts, and from first a little better, and we quote from first hands at 90@ hands sales were made at 85c ₱ bushel, and from store at 77c ₱ bushel. Corn is doing 85c, and shelled from Elevator at $1 00 ₱ bushel. Rye from first hands is reported worth $1 50@1 60 ₱ bushel to-day, and scarce. The receipts of barley are very light, and $2@2 10 ₱ bushel is readily obtained.

FLOUR—Market dull and unchanged at $12@12 50 for choice winter brands; $10 50@11 25 for good spring, and $9 50@10 25 ₱ bbl for medium.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—We quote at $4 00@4 25 ₱ hundred.

HOPS.

The New York market is reported weak, and but a moderate trade in small lots doing. Mr. Emmett Wells, in his weekly circular, dated the 5th inst., says: "The transactions continue on a very limited scale. A few hundred bales of very low grades of American have been changing hands among dealers, at prices ranging from 16c to the ₱ lb, chiefly on speculation. The reported Bavaria publish will bring 16c; but even at this low figure the Hops must be perfectly sound. Fine Bavarians and Belgians sell readily at our full quotations, and are constantly in request; but, as none are on offer, consumers are compelled to resort to New Yorks,